

To bg@q2dataresearch.com@GSAEXTERNAL

cc kmd@q2dataresearch.com

bcc

Subject RE: EAC logo on survey

Thank you for the correction; will make the change.

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12/07/2006 09:53 PM

To lotero@eac.gov

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Subject RE: EAC logo on survey

#### Laiza:

Yes, its fine except that not all respondents are necessarily "registered" at the moment they get the survey, so can it read "respondents to the survey are uniformed and overseas voters"? Thanks,

### Bonnie Glaser

----- Original Message -----

Subject: RE: EAC logo on survey

From: lotero@eac.gov

Date: Wed, December 06, 2006 12:11 pm

To: bg@q2dataresearch.com Cc: kmd@q2dataresearch.com

Is this ok with you? If it is, I'll put at the end of the pdf file - you can insert it then as a footnote on the actual survey.

Section 245 of the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002 (42 U.S.C. 15301) requires the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) to conduct

a study of issues and challenges, including the potential for election fraud, that are presented by the incorporation of communications and Internet technologies in the Federal, State, and local electoral process. The EAC is required to submit a report on the results of the study to Congress. In addition, this information will be made publicly available on the EAC website at www.eac.gov. Respondents to this survey are registered uniformed and overseas voters. According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is OMB Control No. 3265-0005 (expires 5/31/2007). The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average .25 hours per response. This estimate includes the time for reviewing the instructions, gathering information, and completing the form. Comments regarding this burden estimate should be sent to the Program Manager - 2006 Election Administration and Voting Survey, U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 1225 New York Ave, NW, Suite 1100, Washington, DC 20005.



"Hunt, Alexander T." <Alexander\_T.\_Hunt@omb. eop.gov>

12/11/2006 01:58 PM

To lotero@eac.gov

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Subject RE: Revised UOCAVA Survey Instrument

History:

₽ This message has been replied to.

I approved the non-substantive change today. In the future, I think it would be better to not include documents from the previous approval. It's pretty easy for me to look at those if I want to.

Thanks.

**From:** lotero@eac.gov [mailto:lotero@eac.gov] **Sent:** Wednesday, December 06, 2006 5:52 PM

To: Hunt, Alexander T.

Subject: RE: Revised UOCAVA Survey Instrument

I uploaded the survey under the IC section and the summary of changes is on that same page and also under the supplementary documents section. I also selected the

"No material or nonsubstantive change to a currently approved collection" for Type of information collection. When you create a new ICR based on an existing collection it migrates all of the information and documents of the previous one - should I delete the previous survey and select "agency discretion"? Should I delete any other information/documents?

I'm still here for a bit at the office, in case it may easier to go over it on the phone.

Information Collection Instruments:							
Instrument File	For m No.	Form Name	Docume nt Type	U R L	Available Electronica lly?	Can Be Submitted Electronically?	Electronic Capabilit y
EAC Survey of <u>UOCAVA</u> <u>Voters.pdf</u>	EA C-R S02	EAC Survey of UOCAVA Voters	Form and Instruction		Yes	Yes	Fillable Fileable Signable
Revised UOCAVA Survey.12.6.2006. pdf	C-R		Form and Instruction		Yes	Yes	Fillable Fileable Signable

Documents for IC

**Title** 

**Document** 

Uploade Date **Uploaded** d By 12/06/200 Otero.

Summary of Revisions to Survey of Summary of UOCAVA Survey UOCAVA Voters

Revisions.12.6.2006.doc

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"Hunt, Alexander T." <Alexander\_T.\_Hunt@omb.eop.gov>

12/06/2006 05:21 PM

To lotero@eac.gov

Subject RE: Revised UOCAVA Survey Instrument

I can access it but it looks like the previous request. For this request, you should just upload the revised form and a supplemental document summarizing the changes.

From: lotero@eac.gov [mailto:lotero@eac.gov] Sent: Wednesday, December 06, 2006 5:17 PM

To: Hunt, Alexander T.

Subject: RE: Revised UOCAVA Survey Instrument

I think I got it. Let me know if you can access it now and if there is any information missing. Thank you again for your help on this.

Laiza

# **Submitted Request List**

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Criteria: Status=(Received in OIRA, Open for Amendment, Closed for Amendment);

OMB Contr ol No	ICR Ref.No	Subm itted Date	Agen cy/Su b	Agency ICR Tracking Number	<u>Title</u>	Current Expirati on Date	Last Revie wed By	Statu <u>s</u>	Requ est Type
3265- 0005	200612- 3265-00 2	12/06/ 2006	EAC		Commission	05/31/20 07		Recei ved in OIRA	ICR Chg

List shows all requests for ICR review (No Time Limit).

Login: lotero

### Laiza N. Otero/EAC/GOV



12/11/2006 05:30 PM

To bg@q2dataresearch.com@GSAEXTERNAL

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Subject RE: EAC logo on survey ■

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----bg@q2dataresearch.com wrote: -----

To: lotero@eac.gov

From: bg@q2dataresearch.com Date: 12/11/2006 04:13PM Subject: RE: EAC logo on survey

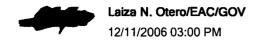
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Thanks,

Bonnie Glaser



To Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV@EAC

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Subject UOCAVA survey

Hello,

I've prepared the following for the UOCAVA survey to post it on our website - thoughts? I feel the second paragraph needs more meat - suggestions? Gracias!



Web Summary Text.doc

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### **U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC)**

Research in Progress: Survey of Uniformed and Overseas Voters (OMB Control No. 3265-0005 – ICR Ref. No. 200612-3265-002)

### **Background:**

Section 245 of the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002 (42 U.S.C. 15301) requires the EAC to conduct a study of issues and challenges, including the potential for election fraud, that are presented by the incorporation of communications and Internet technologies in the Federal, State, and local electoral process. In delineating nine possible research topics, Congress specifically identified the need for further research in determining the requirements for authorization, collection, storing, and processing electronically generated messages permitting eligible voters to apply for an absentee ballot. At the conclusion of the study, the EAC is required to submit a report to both the Committee on House Administration of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate on the results of the study, including such legislative recommendations or model State laws as are required to address the findings of the Commission. In addition, the report will be made available on the EAC website at <a href="https://www.eac.gov">www.eac.gov</a>.

To meets its requirements under HAVA §245, the EAC awarded a contract in November 2006 to Q2 Data & Research, LLC to: 1) conduct case studies to examine in depth the experiences of four to five state and/or local election jurisdictions with developing and implementing a system for transmitting and/or receiving absentee ballots from uniformed and overseas voters; 2) administer a survey of overseas and uniformed voters regarding their experiences with electronic voting; and 3) conduct a conference on internet voting and the transmission and receipt of absentee ballots for UOCAVA voters.

In accordance with the information clearance process under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the EAC received approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to carry out the survey of uniformed and overseas voters; a copy of the survey and OMB documentation are available below.

VIEW Survey of UOCAVA Voters (OMB Control No. 3265-0005) (PDF)

VIEW Information Collection Request (ICR) submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) – <a href="http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref">http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref</a> nbr=200612-3265-002

### **Information:**

For more information or questions regarding this collection, please, contact the U.S. Election Assistance Commission at 1-866-747-1471 or by e-mail at <a href="lotero@eac.gov">lotero@eac.gov</a>.



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12/13/2006 04:18 PM

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History:

P This message has been replied to.

Laiza,

Here is the survey to post to the EAC website. Please let me know how to find it once it is up...as I couldn't find anything about our project on the EAC site last time I looked.

Thanks!

Bonnie Glaser

----- Original Message ------

Subject: RE: EAC logo on survey

From: lotero@eac.gov

Date: Tue, December 12, 2006 6:16 am

To: bg@q2dataresearch.com

I'll wait for the final one :-) I like the hard copy best for general viewing purposes - it looks really nice, great work!

For the link to the actual web survey - do we need some explanation - ex. is it for viewing only or for a UOCAVA voter to go and take it.

L.

bg@q2dataresearch

.com

To

12/11/2006 06:12

lotero@eac.gov

**PM** 

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Subject

RE: EAC logo on survey

Laiza, I am sorry...I sent this too soon...there will be a few small changes. Can you replace it with another one tomorrow or the next day or do you just want to wait for the final one before uploading?

----- Original Message ------ Subject: RE: EAC logo on survey From: bg@q2dataresearch.com

Date: Mon, December 11, 2006 4:05 pm

To: lotero@eac.gov

Laiza, attached is the survey with the necessary information added. Please note that this is the hard copy version, rather than the on-line version. If you need the on-line version too (much longer) please let me know. Also, please send the link to get to it on the EAC website once it is there.

Thanks,

Bonnie Glaser

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Bonnie Glaser 2006 EAC UOCAVA Voter Survey - for EAC Website Posting.pdf

### **U.S. Election Assistance Commission**



## 2006 Overseas and Military Voter Survey

Dear Voter,

We are conducting a survey of overseas and uniformed services absentee voters and are inviting you to tell us about your experiences with the election process.

The United States Congress has asked for this study because of the reports that uniformed services and overseas voters often have problems when trying to vote. We are working to make sure that your experiences and suggestions are being collected and forwarded to Congress.

Your responses are confidential so please take 8-10 minutes to fill out this survey, and tell us about your voting experience in November of 2006. This is a great opportunity to help improve the system and your participation matters: we can not do a good job without your help!

Thank you so much!

#### Please send your completed replies to:

Q<sup>2</sup> Data & Research, LLC Mail Services Office 217 Bayview Street San Rafael, CA 94901 USA

### Please Note:

You are invited to take this same survey online. It's fast and there's no postage!
Click here to take the 2006 EAC UOCAVA Voter Survey online!

Section 245 of the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002 (42 U.S.C. 15301) requires the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) to conduct a study of issues and challenges, including the potential for election fraud, that are presented by the incorporation of communications and Internet technologies in the Federal, State, and local electoral process. The EAC is required to submit a report on the results of the study to Congress. In addition, this information will be made publicly available on the EAC website at <a href="https://www.eac.gov">www.eac.gov</a>. Respondents to this survey are uniformed and overseas voters. According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is OMB Control No. 3265-0005 (expires 5/31/2007). The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average .25 hours per response. This estimate includes the time for reviewing the instructions, gathering information, and completing the form. Comments regarding this burden estimate should be sent to the Program Manager - 2006 Election Administration and Voting Survey, U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 1225 New York Ave, NW, Suite 1100, Washington, DC 20005.

OMB Control No. 3265-0005 Expiration Date: 5/31/2007

my ballot was late   my ball	urvey Instructions:	6. Why didn't you vote? (check all that apply)	How did you get your voter registration/ballot request form?
□ U.S. citizen living outside the U.S. temporarily U.S. citizen living outside the U.S. indefinitely/permanently □ Informed service member Spouse or dependent of a uniformed service member Spouse or dependent of a uniformed service member 2. Con November 7th in which country were you living or serving?  7. If you had been in the U.S. on November 7, 2006, Election Day, how likely is it that you would have voted, had you been in the U.S. on November 7, 2006, Election Day, how likely is it that you would have voted?  □ I had no interest in voting □ Other, please specify: □ Between January and □ August □ Second half of October □ Second half of October □ November □ I never sent the form □ I don't remember □ First half of October □ Second ha	g the numbered questions in order. Sev- ral of the questions instruct you to skip nead to a specific question depending on ow you answered the question. Please allow these skip instructions carefully.  lake a heavy mark in the box next to your nosen answer or answers. Many of the questions allow for more than one re- ponse.  hanks again for your help with this impor- int project.  Were you an overseas citizen or a ember of the Uniformed Services, a pouse or dependent of a uniformed	My ballot was late     My ballot arrived while I was traveling     My ballot arrived while I was on duty somewhere else     I moved and my ballot was sent to my old address     I forgot to send my ballot     My voter registration/ballot request was denied     I missed the registration deadline     I thought I was registered, but wasn't     My address changed     I could not meet my state's notarization requirements     I could not meet my state's witness requirements	☐ I filled-out the form online and printed it ☐ I received it from my state/local election office ☐ I picked it up at the US Embassy/ Consulate ☐ I used the online IVAS system ☐ I registered and/or received a form in person ☐ I received it in the mail ☐ It was faxed to me ☐ I received it as an email attachment
2. On November 7th in which country were you living or serving?    First half of October   Second half of October   Decond   In over sent the form   I don't remember   I never sent the form   I don't remember   Second half of October   Decond   I don't remember   I never sent the form   I don't remember   Second half of October   Second half of October   Second half of October   Decond   I never sent the form   I don't remember   Skip to Q42!   In ever sent half of October   Second half of October   In ever sent the form   I don't remember   I never sent half of October   In ever sent half of October   In ever sent half of October   In ever sent half of October	temporarily U.S. citizen living outside the U.S. indefinitely/permanently Uniformed service member Spouse or dependent of a uniformed	register to vote  I didn't think my vote would matter  I found the process to complicated  I had no interest in voting	
3. In which U.S. state or territory did you vote, or would you have voted, had you been in the U.S. on November 7, 2006.    Very likely   Somewhat likely   FAX + original form by   FAX + original		7. If you had been in the U.S. on	☐ First half of October ☐ Second half of October ☐ November ☐ I never sent the form
□ This was or would have been my first time voting in my life as an overseas citizen □ This was or would have been my first time voting as an absentee military service member, spouse or dependent □ Voted before as an overseas citizen □ Voted before as an absentee military services member spouse or dependent. □ Voted before locally in the US □ Voted before as a domestic absentee in the US	ote, or would you have voted, had you sen in the U.S. on November 7, 2006.  Describe your voting history:	how likely is it that you would have voted?  Uery likely Somewhat likely Neither likely or unlikely Somewhat likely	11. How did you SEND IN your voter registration/ballot request form?  FAX FAX + original form by mail Email Email + original form by mail
□ I don't remember	This was or would have been my first time voting in my life as an overseas citizen  This was or would have been my first time voting as an absentee military service member, spouse or dependent  Voted before as an overseas citizen  Voted before as an absentee military services member spouse or dependent.  Voted before locally in the US  Voted before as a domestic absentee in the US	vote and/or request an absentee ballot for the November 7, 2006 election?  Yes  No Skin to 042/	□ Courier/Certified or Express Mail     □ Military Postal Service (APO/FPO)     □ Sent through Consulate/Embassy mail pouch     □ In person at my election office     □ I never sent the form
	Did you vote in the November 7, 2006		Skip to Q42!

☐ No, I did not vote or try to vote☐ No, I tried but was unable to complete

the process

12. Did you complete a form to register to vote and/or request an absentee ballot for the November 7, 2006 election?	15. How did you send in your voter registration/ballot request form?	19. How would you describe the way you received your blank ballot? (check all that apply)
	□ FAX	The same and the same of the s
☐ Yes	☐ FAX + original form by mail	☐ Fast
	☐ Email	☐ Easy
_	☐ Email + original form by mail	☐ Practical
□ No	☐ I used the IVAS service for the DOD	□ Slow
☐ I don't remember.	I <del>_</del> _	☐ Difficult
	Regular Mail	☐ Impractical
	☐ Courier / Certified or Express Mail	· ·
13. How did you get your voter registra-	☐ Military Postal Service (APO/FPO)	☐ No opinion
tion/ballot request form?	☐ Sent through Consulate/Embassy mail pouch	Other, please describe:
☐ I downloaded the blank form from a	☐ In person at my election office	
website	☐ I never sent the form	ll li
☐ I filled-out the form online and printed it	☐ Other, please specify:	
☐ I received it from my state/local election office	Suisi, please spessiy.	20 Did you feel it was a cours way to
☐ I picked it up at the US Embassy/ Consulate		20. Did you feel it was a secure way to receive your blank ballot?
		☐ Very secure
☐ I used the online IVAS system		Secure
☐ I registered and/or received a form in	16. When did you receive your blank	☐ Neutral
person	ballot for the November 7, 2006	
☐ I received it in the mail	election?	☐ Insecure
☐ It was faxed to me	Market Committee of the	☐ Very insecure
☐ I received it as an email attachment	☐ August	
☐ Other, please specify:	☐ September	21. Was the ballot easy to complete?
	☐ First half of October	21. Was the ballot easy to complete?
	☐ Second half of October	☐ Easy
	☐ The week before the election	☐ Somewhat easy
	☐ Election Day	Neither
	1 ,	☐ Somewhat difficult
	☐ After Election Day	
14. When, in 2006, did you send in your	☐ I don't remember	Difficult
voter registration/ballot request form?		☐ Don't know
☐ Between January and July 2006		
☐ August	17. How was your blank ballot delivered	22. What method did you use to SEND
September	to you?	iN your VOTED ballot?
☐ First half of October	□FAX	Пе
	☐ Email	☐ Email
☐ Second half of October	☐ Downloaded through DOD IVAS service	☐ Email + original ballot in mail
November		☐ FAX machine
☐ I never sent the form	Regular Mail	☐ FAX machine + original ballot in mail
☐ I don't remember	☐ Courier / Certified or Express Mail	☐ Internet FAX transmission
	☐ Military Postal Service (APO/FPO)	☐ Internet FAX transmission + original
	☐ Other, please specify:	ballot in mail
		If you chose any of the top six answers to this question, please continue
		through the survey with no skips.
		☐ Regular Mail
	18. Had you ever received a blank ballot	☐ Courier / Certified or Express Mail
	in this way before?	☐ Military Postal Service (APO/FPO)
	□Yes	Sent through Consulate/Embassy mail
	□ No	pouch
	L 140	, ·
		☐ I dropped it off or voted at my local election office in the US
		Other, please specify:
		L
		If you chose any of the final six answers to this question, please complete Q23 - Q25 and then skip to Q35.

23. Howwould you rate the case-of-use of this way of sending in your voted ballot?    Easy	27. Did you ever use this electronic transmission method to send a voted bellot in any other election?  Yes  No  23. Please rate the ease of use of the electronic transmission method you used to send your voted bellot?  Easy  Somewhat easy  Neutral  Somewhat difficult  Difficult	31. Did you have any problems with the electronic transmission method of send-ing your voted ballot? (checkell that apply)  There were too many steps I didn't understand the instructions I wasn't sure if I needed a witness I didn't understand what to do No, I did not have any problems Other, please specify
☐ Second half of October ☐ First week of November ☐ Election Day ☐ After Election Day ☐ I can't remember	29. If you found this method easy to use, please tell us what contributed to that ease-of-use. (check all that apply)  Clear instructions  Easy to understand	22. Howeaffelied were you with the cleatronfe method used to send in your voted ballow.  Satisfied Somewhat satisfied
23. Howeatteried were you with the process of obtaining and easting a ballookin 2003?  Satisfied Somewhat satisfied	☐ Fast ☐ Handy ☐ Good format - easy to see ☐ Could use it from my location ☐ No travel required	☐ Neutral ☐ Somewhat dissatisfied ☐ Dissatisfied ☐ Dissatisfied  33.Were you asked to waive ((give up)) (the right to a private vote?
□ Neutral □ Somewhat dissatisfied □ Dissatisfied  After completing (the above questions	☐ Not applicable; I found it difficult to use ☐ Other, please specify	the right to a private vote? 3 ⋅ 4   Yes  No Additional Comment:
Action plane to the store of th	50. Why did you decide to send your ballot in (this way? (check all that apply))  It was easy It saved me time I didn't need to travel I thought it was required It was offered	
26. Howwould you describe the clear tronle transmission method you used to REITURN your voted ballot? (check all that apply)  Practical User-friendly Logical Well-defined Fast	☐ It was less expensive ☐ To get my ballot back faster ☐ It was suggested that I use this method ☐ I received an email telling me about it ☐ I thought it was safer than regular mail ☐ My blank ballot arrived late ☐ Other, please specify:	34. Iffyou'did waive your right to a private your from would you describe your feelings about that?  Concerned Somewhat concerned Neutral Somewhat unconcerned Unconcerned Don't know Not Applicable
☐ Easy ☐ Slow ☐ Difficult ☐ Hard to understand ☐ Other, please describe:		35.Would you send in your voted ballot again in the future using the same method as you did in the election of November 7, 2006?

36. How did you find out about the vot- ing method you used? (check all that	39. Did you confirm that your ballot arrived?	43. How often do you access the Internet?
apply)  ☐ Internet Search	☐ Yes, I checked through state or county online tracking tool	☐ Daily
☐ Got an Email	☐ Yes, I contacted my election office	2-3 times a week
☐ Local Election Official	☐ No, I did not confirm my ballot arrival	☐ Once a week ☐ Sometimes
☐ Consulate/Embassy	1 1	
☐ Voting Assistance Officer	Other, please specify	☐ Almost Never
Federal Voter Assistance Program		Never
☐ IVAS Website from DOD		reconstruction to the second second
Newspaper		44. Where do you access the Internet?
□ Newsletter		(check all that apply)
☐ State Election Office web site	40. How much time would you estimate	☐ Home
☐ Local Election Office web site	the entire process of voting took you	□ Work
☐ Political party	from the time you started till the time	☐ Internet Cafe
☐ Voter organization	you sent your voted ballot for November	Library
☐ Can't remember	7, 2006?	☐ Other, please specify
Other, please specify	Include registration/ballot request, paperwork processing, phone calls or	
Other, please specify	visits to official offices, as applicable to	
	you.	
	Less than 2 weeks	
	2 - 4 weeks	45. What kind of Internet access location
37. How did you feel about the security	5 - 6 weeks	do you use: (check all that apply)
of your actual VOTE?	☐ 7 - 8 weeks	Public
ПС	☐ More than 8 weeks	☐ Private
Concerned	☐ I don't know	☐ Business
☐ Somewhat concerned ☐ Neutral		Other, please specify
= · · · · · · · ·	41. What was the TOTAL cost to you to	Other, please specify
Somewhat unconcerned	return your registration AND ballot ma-	
Unconcerned	terials, including postage and any other costs? (in \$USD)	
Don't know	costs: (iii \$03D)	
☐ Not Applicable	□ None	
	☐ Under \$5	4C In a future election would you be
38. What security concerns did you have	□\$5-\$10	46. In a future election, would you be comfortable sending in a voted ballot
in regard to your vote?	□ \$10 - \$25	electronically by email, FAX or voting
(check all that apply)	□ \$25 - \$50	online?
☐ I was not sure my voted ballot actually	□ \$50 - \$100+	Yes
arrived	☐ Other, please specify	□ No
☐ I was concerned that my voted ballot		☐ Not sure
could get lost		Other, please specify:
☐ I was concerned that someone saw how		Other, please specify.
I voted		
☐ I was concerned someone could change		
my vote	42. If you were to send a FAX, what type	
Other, please specify	of FAX service would you use: (check all that apply)	
Other, please specify	ulat apply)	
	☐ FAX machine always available	
	☐ Pay-per-use FAX services	
	☐ Internet FAX program	
	☐ No FAX services available	
	☐ I don't use FAX services	
	☐ Other, please specify	

47. What concerns would you have about sending in a voted ballot electronically by email, FAX or voting	51. What is the highest level of formal education you have completed?	55. Please provide other comments or suggestions that you may have here:
online? (check all that apply)	☐ Some high school	
	☐ High school graduate or GED	
☐ I do not have any concerns about voting	☐ Trade school	
online	☐ College or associate's degree	
I do not have any concerns about voting by FAX	☐ Bachelor's degree	
I do not have any concerns about voting	☐ Advanced degree	
by email	☐ Other, please specify	
☐ I have privacy concerns		
☐ I have security concerns		
☐ I don't trust the Internet		
☐ I don't want to share personal informa-		
tion on the Internet	FO DIA house As to 40 40 110 Fm	
☐ I'm concerned that my election official	52. Did you have to go to the US Embassy or Consulate at any time in the	
will see how I voted	voting process?	
☐ I'm afraid that people could see how I		
voted	Yes	
Other, please specify	□ No	
	53. How often do you go to the US Embassy or Consulate related to the voting	
[]	process during an average election	
	year?	
48. How old were you on November 7,		
2006?	Never	
□ 19 to 24 years	☐ Once	
☐ 18 to 24 years ☐ 25 to 34 years		
☐ 35 to 44 years	☐ Three times or more	
☐ 45 to 54 years	☐ Other, please specify	
☐ 45 to 54 years		
☐ 65 to 74 years		
☐ 75 years and older		
173 years and older		
49. Please indicate your gender.	54. How long does it take to travel to the	
43. Flease indicate your gender.	closest US Consulate/Embassy from	
☐ Male	where you live right now?	
☐ Female	Less than 1 hour	
	2-3 hours	
50. When did you last live in the US?	4 or more hours	
☐ Less than 1 year ago		
At least 1 year but less than 2 years ago		
☐ At least 2 years but less than 5 years	Thank you for participating in	this EAC voter survey
ago	Thank you for participating in	tills E/to voter survey.
☐ At least 5 year but less than 10 years	S	
ago	Your feedback will contribute	
☐ 10 or more years ago	and improvement of voter se	rvices to overseas citizens
☐ Does not apply - I am active duty / active	and military absentee voters.	
duty family member in the US		
	Diagonal and the second of the	d liss As
	Please send your complete	ea replies to:
	Q <sup>2</sup> Data & Research, LLC	
	Mail Services Office	
	217 Bayview Street	
	•	1
	San Rafael, CA 94901 USA	1

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Subject Re: Survey ☐

do you have time on Friday (5/12) to go over these items?

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Subject Survey

#### Julie,

- I have revised the survey to reflect your changes/recommendations. See attached.
- For Question 29 (regarding felons), I have included a yes/no check box under each category.
   However, do we need/want more information beyond the eligibility of the persons? For example, when are their rights restored, if at all, if they are not allowed to vote while in one of the categories mentioned.
- I have to present the draft document to the Commissioners and the Boards in the next couple of weeks. In your most honest and brutal opinion, what could I do the document (short of a puppet skit) to make it more clear, readable, and usable? Is it ready to be presented to the Commissioners and the Board? I would like to have the official draft by the end of this week so Adam can distribute it to the Boards and I can distribute it to the Commissioners and Tom in time for the meetings. I will be out of the office this coming Monday thru Wednesday (I'll be in Kennesaw, GA).
- Humanitas: Their price quote is \$82,007.20. This price is within the project's budget; especially since the money for analysis would come out of the '07 budget. I have looked at other vendors on the GSA Schedule to compare the Direct Labor Costs, and the Humanitas quote seems to be in tandem with the other ones I looked at; the difficulty is assessing the estimated amount of hours they claim it will take. However, is this task within the original scope of work of our contract with Humanitas? Is it as simple as modifying their contract? Or do we want to consider bidding it? I have spoken with both Karen and Gaylin about this. My concern is that I want to make sure we get the best possible candidate for the job (not that I think Humanitas would do a poor job) and at the best value for us. We really need to make sure we do an outstanding job collecting the survey data this time around. With GovWorks, the bidding process should be much simpler than before, and we have some time before the online instrument would need to go "live" since a lot of the information we need becomes available after November 7th. By writing a SOW we can also be very clear as to what it is we want and how we want it done, and it's best in my opinion for accountability purposes. What are your thoughts on this?



### THANK YOU!

Laiza N. Otero Research Associate U.S. Election Assistance Commission 1225 New York Avenue, Suite 1100 Washington, DC 20005 Tel. (202) 566-1707 Fax (202) 566-3128 **IMPORTANT:** Please, **DO NOT USE** "N/A" as an equivalent to "0." Only use "N/A" (not applicable) if the answer is not available or not allowable by state law or not collected by your jurisdiction. The number "0" ("zero") should only be used to indicate that the answers is "zero" or "none."

### **VOTER REGISTRATION**

Note: Questions 1-29 refer to the period from the close of registration for the November 2, 2004, Federal general elections to the close of registration for the November 7, 2006, Federal general elections.

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1. Total number of registered voters statewide and by county/local jurisdiction at the time of the close of registration for the past two Federal general elections (including Election Day registrations where applicable – see Question 2):

	November 2, 2004	November 7, 2006
Active voters:	<u> </u>	
Inactive voters (if applicable):	######################################	
Total:		

2. Total number of persons statewide and by county/local jurisdiction who registered to vote on Election Day [November 7, 2006] – \*\*Only applicable to states with Election Day registration (Idaho, Maine, Minnesota, New Hampshire, Wisconsin, and Wyoming):

Total:		

Total:	
4. Total number statewide and by county/local jurisdiby mail during the period from the close of registration elections until the close of registration for the November 1.	on for the November 2, 2004, Federal general
Total:	
5. Total number statewide and by county/local jurisdiction person at the clerk or registrar's office during the November 2, 2004, Federal general elections until the Federal general elections:	e period from the close of registration for the
6. Total number statewide and by county/local jurisdice received from or generated by each of the following the November 2, 2004, Federal general elections until 2006, Federal general elections:  All motor vehicle offices:	categories between the close of registration for
All public assistance agencies that are mandated as NVRA:	s registration sites under
All state-funded agencies primarily serving person	s with disabilities:
All Armed Forces recruitment offices:	
All other agencies designated by the state:	

**3.** Total number statewide and by county/local jurisdiction of voter registration applications received **from all sources** during the period from the close of registration for the November 2, 2004, Federal general elections until the close of registration for the November 7, 2006, Federal general elections:

7. Total number statewide and by county/local jurisdiction of registration applications identified in	1
response to Question 3 that were:	

<b>Duplicates of other valid voter registrations:</b>	
Changes of address, name, or party:	
Invalid or rejected (other than duplicates):	

8. Total number statewide and by county/local jurisdiction of new, valid registrations processed between the close of registration for the November 2, 2004, Federal general elections until the close of registration for the November 7, 2006, Federal general elections. \*\*This includes all registrations that are new to the local jurisdiction and re-registrations across jurisdictional lines. This does not include applications that are duplicates, rejected, or report only a change of name, address, or (where applicable) party preference within the local jurisdiction.

Total:

### **Registration process**

9. Total number of election jurisdictions conducting voter registration.

Total: \_\_\_\_\_

10. Identify the local entity primarily responsible for registering voters:

Circuit Clerk	Election Commissioner
City Clerk	Local General Registrar
 County Auditor	Municipal Clerk
County Board of Elections	Recorder
 County Clerk	Registrar
 County Commissioner	Supervisor/Director of Elections
County Election Board Secretary	Tax Assessor Collector
County Voter Registration Board	Town Clerk
Director of Voter Registration	Other (please, specify)

11.	Identify each and every other state and local government office or agency designated as a voter
regis	stration agency (provides voter registration opportunities/services):

[	
	Motor vehicle offices
	All offices that provide public assistance that are mandated as registration sites by NVRA
	All offices that provide state-funded programs primarily serving persons with disabilities
	All armed forces recruitment offices
	Other agencies designated by the State (please, specify)
œ	

12. Does your office provide training on the voter registration process to employees of Federal, State, and local government offices or agencies designated as voter registration agencies?



13. How are voter registration applications transferred from the other voter registration agencies listed in response to **Question 11** to the official responsible for voter registration?

·		álous Falais Ver	
Courier		100 P	Power Profile System
Disk		à a	Tape
E-mail/Electro	nic 📄		U.S. Mail
Fax		Ŋė.	VPN
Hand delivered			Other (please, specify)
Inter-office ma	il e		

14. Who verifies and processes voter registration forms?

	State officials
	Local officials
	Both

I	Last 4-digits of the Social Security number
I	Full Social Security number
I	Driver's license number
τ	Inique identifier (please, identify what method is used for assigning the unique identifier
1	Other (please, specify)
Process o	do voter registration officials verify voter registration applications? (This refers to the of verifying the applications used to register to fote. This does not refer to the process of voters when they go to vote.)
	Check jury lists
	Link and verify through the department of motor vehicles
	Link and verify through the social security administration records  Link and verify through the State's vital statistics records
	Link and verify through other state agency (please, specify agency)
	Matched against the voter registration database
	Tracking of returned voter identification cards
	Tracking the return of disposition notices
	Other (please, specify)
17 How	do voter registration officials check (use as matching criteria) for duplicate registrations?
17. 110w	Address  Date of birth
	Driver's license number
	Names provided by registrant
	Social security number
	Other (please, specify)
18. Does	your State check for duplicate voter registrations across state lines?
18. Does	your State check for duplicate voter registrations across state lines?  Yes (If "yes", please, identify which states.) No

15. Which number is used as the voter identification number on the processed voter registration form? (This does not refer to the number used to verify the application. This refers to the number given to the

rejection?
Yes No
20. Does the statewide voter registration database link to the State's department of motor vehicles?
Yes No
21. Does the statewide voter registration database link to disability and social services agencies in a similar manner to the State's department of motor vehicles?
Yes No
List Maintenance
List maintenance refers to the specific process and procedures by which State and/or local election officials update and preserve information contained on the official list of registered voters.
22. What process is used to perform list maintenance?  Electronic  Manual  Both
23. Who is responsible for conducting list maintenance?
State officials Local officials
Both
<b>24.</b> Total number of registrations statewide and by county/local jurisdiction that were, for whatever reason, <b>deleted from the registration list</b> , including both active and inactive voters if such a distinction is made in your state, between the close of registration for the November 2, 2004, Federal general elections until the close of registration for the November 7, 2006, Federal general elections:

**Total:** 

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confirmation] mailed out between the	county/local jurisdiction of <b>removal notices</b> [Section 8(d)(2) he close of registration for the November 2, 2004, Federal general on for the November 7, 2006, Federal general elections:
Total:	
notices mailed out between the close	county/local jurisdiction of <b>responses received</b> to the confirmation of registration for the November 2, 2004, Federal general n for the November 7, 2006, Federal general elections:
Total:	
27. Total number statewide and by construction the close of registration for the November 7, 2006	county/local jurisdiction of voters <b>moved</b> to the inactive list the November 2, 2004, Federal general elections until the close of 6, Federal general elections:
Total:	
removed from the voter rolls between general elections until the close of regithe following reasons:	ounty/local jurisdiction of voters (active AND inactive voters) in the close of registration for the November 2, 2004, Federal gistration for the November 7, 2006, Federal general elections for
Change of address (moved  Death:  Disqualifying felony convi	·
	secutive federal general elections:
Voter requested to be rem	oved:
Other reasons: (please, sp.	ecify)
Total number of registrati	ions removed:

## 29. Identify all of the sources considered in performing list maintenance:

	Applications for absentee ballots	Notices of deceased persons (Department of Health/Bureau of Vital Statistics)
	Ballots returned as undeliverable	Notices of persons adjudicated mentally incapacitated
	Canvasses, house-to-house	Petition checks
	Canvasses, political parties	Reports/Notices from other States that a former resident has registered to vote
<b>G</b>	Car registrations	Reports of address changes – U.S. Postal Service National Change of Address
	Contact by phone	Reports of surrendered driver's licenses – other states' motor vehicles offices
	Contact in person	Returned election notices
	Jury questionnaires	Returned jury summons
	List of address changes, Emergency 911 (E-911) system	Returned mail from county agencies using official voter file for mailings
	Lists of automobile registrations	Requests from voters for removal
	List of deceased persons, Social Security Administration	Targeted mailings
	Lists of felony convictions, Federal and state courts	Utility changes, municipal
	Lists of persons licensed in other states, Department of Motor Vehicles	Voter registration applications
	Lists of property ownership	Voter registration system – duplicate checks
	Newspaper death notices/obituaries	Other (please, specify)
	Notices of address confirmations	

**30.** Are the following classes of persons eligible to vote?

a) Tho	ose who have been convi	icted of a felo	ny	·
		Yes		
		No		
b) Tho	ose who are serving a ser	ntence of inca	rceration for conviction of a	a felony
		Yes		
		No No		
c) The	ose who are serving a ter	m of probatio	n following being convicted	d of a felony
·		Yes		· 03.

### 2006 ELECTION DAY RESULTS

Ballots cast means a ballot that has been submitted manually or electronically by a voter but has not been verified and/or counted.

**Note:** For jurisdictions that provide voters with more than one ballot card to vote for different contests or measures should only report one ballot cast per voter.

Ballots counted means all ballots that have been cast, processed, and counted.

"At the polls" refers to ballots issued; cast, or counted on a jurisdiction's voting system on Election Day at a polling place.

**Domestic civilian absentee ballot** refers to a ballot available to a non-military citizen living in the United States who is registered to vote and meets the State's requirement for voting absentee.

### Domestic military citizen refers to:

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- (B) a member of the merchant marine who, by reason of service in the merchant marine, is serving within the United States and its territories, and who is absent from the place of residence where the member is otherwise qualified to vote; and
- (C) a spouse or dependent of a member referred to in subparagraph (A) or (B) who, by reason of the active duty or service of the member, is absent from the place of residence where the spouse or dependent is otherwise qualified to vote.

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### Overseas military citizen refers to:

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Provisional ballot refers to a ballot issued when a voter's eligibility has not been determined.

31. Does your State conduct early voting?



**32.** Total number statewide and by county/local jurisdiction of:

	<b>Ballots Cast</b>	<b>Ballots Counted</b>
At the polls		
Early voting		
Domestic civilian absentee ballots		
Domestic military citizens		W-7-
Overseas military citizens		
Overseas civilians		
Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)		

**Provisional ballots** 

Total	
* The number provided in response to this que. State's program for contingent or provisional in America Vote Act.	stion should include the total number of ballots cast in the ballots that complies with section 302(a) of the Help
<b>33.</b> Total number statewide and by county/local ju Federal contest.	prisdiction of votes counted for each candidate in a
34. Total number statewide and by county/local ju	risdiction of <b>provisional ballots</b> rejected:
<b>(9</b>	
Total:	
35. Total number statewide and by county/local juthe following reasons:	urisdiction of provisional ballots rejected for each of
Administrative error	No signature
Already voted	Non-appearance within 24 hours
Ballot not timely received (absentee)	Non-matching signature
Deceased	Non-verifiable signature
Elector challenged	Not registered
First time voter registering on Election Day	Registration purged
Improper ID	Wrong jurisdiction
Incomplete ballot form	Wrong precinct
Ineligible to vote	Other (please, specify)
Missing ballot	
Multiple ballots in one envelope	
Name missing from voter listed	

#### **Absentee Ballots**

**Absentee voting** is defined as voting prior to Election Day which requires that the voter meet qualifications other than those generally required to register to vote.

Advanced ballot means any special Write-In Absentee Ballot, State Write-In Absentee Ballot, Special Write-In Early Ballot, or Blank Absentee Ballot that is distributed by a state in advance of the publication of an official ballot for a federal election on which military and overseas citizens are allowed to write in the name of the candidate in each contest for whom they choose to vote.

**36.** Total number state-wide and by county/local jurisdiction of **absentee ballots** (do not include FWAB):

		Not
<b>49</b>	Requested	Counted
Domestic civilian absentee ballots		
Domestic military citizens	<u> </u>	
Overseas military citizens		
Overseas civilians		
Total		•
*Includes ballots transmitted by mail, fax, e-m	ail, or courier	
37. Total number statewide and by county/local jumilitary and overseas citizens:  Domestic military citizens  Overseas military citizens  Overseas civilians  Total	urisdiction of <b>advanced</b> b	callots transmitted to
<b>38.</b> Total number statewide and by county/local ju (FWAB) received for each of the following voters		
Domestic military citizens		
Overseas military citizens		
Overseas civilians		
Total		

39. Identify the five (5) most common reasons that <u>domestic civilian</u> absentee ballots were rejected:

No voter signature	
Ballot not timely received	
Non-matching signature	
Elector voted early at the polls	4800
Ballot returned as undeliverable	4
Ineligible to vote	
No ballot application on record	
No witness signature	
Spoiled ballot	
Ballot missing from envelope	
Ballot returned in unofficial envelope	
Multiple ballots returned in one envelope  Elector deceased	
Ballot replaced  Envelope not sealed	
First time voter without proper identification	
No election official's signature on ballot	
No residence address on envelope	
Other (please, specify)	

	ber statewide and by county/local jurisdiction of military and overseas absentee ballots ch of the following reasons:
	Lacked a postmark
	No voter signature
	Voter signature not verifiable
	Had no date of voter signature
	Had no notary/witness signature
	Had no date of notary/witness signature
<b>69</b>	Was received after the state deadline
	Returned as undeliverable
	Other reason (please, specify)
Undervotes ai	nd Overvotes
single race/cor eligible to vote	occurs at any time when a voter makes less than that allowed number of selections in a ntest or when a voter votes on less than all of the races/contests for which he/she is cours when a voter makes more than the permitted number of selections in a single
race/contest or vote.	when a voter makes a selection in a race/contest on which he/she was not eligible to
41. Total num contest:	ber statewide and by county/local jurisdiction of undervotes reported in each federal  Total:
<b>42.</b> Total num contest:	ber statewide and by county/local jurisdiction of overvotes reported in each federal
	Total:

#### **Poll Workers**

**Note:** The answer to these questions should include the number of persons who served in all polling places in the State as poll workers, election judges, wardens, commissioners, or other similar term that refers to the person or persons who verify the identity of a voter; assist the voter with signing the register, affidavits or other documents required to cast a ballot; assist the voter by providing the voter with a ballot or setting up the voting machine for the voter; and serving other functions as dictated by state law. The answers to these questions should not include observers stationed at the polling place.

43a. Has there been a change in the number of poll workers per precinct/polling place required by law
or regulation since November 2004?
Yes
No No
43b. If "yes," please, provide the new number of poll workers required by law or regulation to
be present at each precinct/polling place.
be present at each preemed poining place.
Total:
Total.
44. Total number statewide and by county/local jurisdiction of poll workers that served in the
November 7, 2006, Federal general elections:
Total:
45. Total number statewide and by county/local jurisdiction of polling places and precincts that did
not have the required number of poll workers:
Total:

### **Voting Jurisdictions and Polling Places**

**Precinct** means the geographic area to which voters are assigned.

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<b>46.</b> Identify what constitutes a local	election jurisdiction in your State:
	County
	Parish
	Township
	City
	Borough
	Village
	Other (please, specify)
<b>47.</b> Total number statewide and by o	county/local election jurisdiction of precincts:
™ Total:	
. I Giai.	
<b>48.</b> Total number statewide and by c	county/local election jurisdiction of polling places:
Total:	
49. Total number statewide and hyvo	county/local election jurisdiction of polling places that are
accessible to voters with disabilities:	A analystocal election jurisdiction of poining places that are
Total:	
Note: For purposes of this qu	vestion only, accessibility refers to the physical structure of the
polling place, not the voting s	system. /
50. Total number by county/local ele	ection jurisdiction of polling places where a visually impaired
voter can cast a private ballot:	
Total:	
	per of polling places where voting equipment is used such that a ust a private ballot (e.g., a DRE with audio ballot capability or (le)

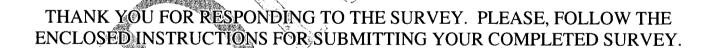
### **Sources of Information**

**51.** Total number of local election jurisdictions that provided information for purposes of responding to this survey:

Total:		

**52.** Provide the name and contact information for each local election jurisdiction official that provided information for purposes of responding to this survey.

53. Identify any other sources of information used to respond to this survey other than those provided in response to the two previous questions. (All other sources of data shall include information obtained from a state-wide voter registration database or any other public or non-public source.)



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Subject UOCAVA - Q2Data Study

All of the OMB documentation for this project is available at http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRASearch. On that site one can also find information one enters directly into OMB's ROCIS system (such as the Certification, Abstract, and ICR Summary of Burden). Since this was an emergency clearance, the 60-day and 30-day FR notices requirement was waived.





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Summary of UOCAVA Survey Revisions[1].12.6.2006.doc

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### NOTICE OF OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET ACTION

Date 11/30/2006

U.S. Election Assistance Commission

FOR CERTIFYING OFFICIAL: Juliet Thompson-Hodgkins

FOR CLEARANCE OFFICER: Laiza Otero

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, OMB has taken action on your request received <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/10.1007/nc.1007

ACTION REQUESTED: New collection (Request for a new OMB Control Number)

TYPE OF REVIEW REQUESTED: <u>Emergency</u> ICR REFERENCE NUMBER: <u>200611-3265-002</u>

TITLE: EAC Study on First-Time Voters Who Register to Vote by Mail

LIST OF INFORMATION COLLECTIONS: See next page

OMB ACTION: <u>Approved without change</u> OMB CONTROL NUMBER: <u>3265-0007</u>

The agency is required to display the OMB Control Number and inform respondents of its legal significance in

accordance with 5 CFR 1320.5(b).

EXPIRATION DATE: 05/31/2007 DISCONTINUE DATE:

BURDEN:	RESPONSES	HOURS	COSTS
Previous	0	0	0
New	30	68	0
Difference			
Change due to New Statute	0	0	0
Change due to Agency Discretion	30	68	0
Change due to Agency Adjustment	0	0	0
Change Due to Potential Violation of the PRA	0	0	0

### **TERMS OF CLEARANCE:**

OMB Authorizing Official:

John F. Morrall III

Acting Deputy Administrator,

Office Of Information And Regulatory Affairs

	List of ICs						
IC Title Form No. Form Name CFR Citation							
EAC First-Time Voters Who Register to Vote by Mail - Focus Groups	EAC-RS03, EAC-RS04	First-Time Voters - Focus Group Quiz, First-Time Voters - Focus Group Script					



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Agency/Subagency: **Agency Tracking No:** Title: EAC Study on First-Time Voters Who Register to Vote by Mail

Type of Information Collection: New collection (Request for a new OMB Control Number)

Approval Requested By: 11/29/2006 Type of Review Request: Emergency

**OIRA Conclusion Action:** Approved without change Conclusion Date: 11/30/2006 Date Received in OIRA: 11/15/2006

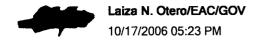
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To "Meredith" 
<mi><mirorioriclecomm.com>@GSAEXTERNAL
cc Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV@EAC

bcc

Subject Re: Paperwork Reduction Act/OMB Clearance needs

Hello Meredith,

Here are some documents that may help you along in completing the information requested on the 83-I form and the supporting documents. I have attached a file illustrating screenshots of the online system OMB has developed so you may have a better feel for how the information you provide is entered into the system. I look forward to working with you to get this process started. Thank you!



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10/17/2006 05:02 PM

To lotero@eac.gov

CC

Subject Re: Paperwork Reduction Act/OMB Clearance needs

#### Laiza:

Just a quick question. I believe you mentioned this on the call, but I neglected to write it down as I didn't think we'd need to take advantage of emergency approval. Once the required paperwork is submitted, how quickly does OMB typically turn around an emergency ICR?

Thanks,

Meredith Battle Imwalle

Meredith Battle Imwalle President Winner's Circle Communications, LLC 703.786.1823 cell http://www.winnerscirclecomm.com

---- Original Message -----

From: lotero@eac.gov

To: mimwalle@winnerscirclecomm.com

Cc: klynndyson@eac.gov

Sent: Tuesday, October 17, 2006 12:09 PM

Subject: Re: Paperwork Reduction Act/OMB Clearance needs

Sounds fine with me. I can be reached at the number below.

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#### "Meredith" <mimwalle@winnerscirclecomm.com>

10/17/2006 01:01 PM

To klynndyson@eac.gov

CC lotero@eac.gov

Subject Re: Paperwork Reduction Act/OMB Clearance needs

The more I think about it, the more I think the expedited process is the way for us to go. Laiza -- my colleague Adam Bourne is going to get started on the paperwork. May I have him call you with questions?

--Meredith

---- Original Message -----

From: Meredith

To: klynndyson@eac.gov

Cc: lotero@eac.gov

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 17, 2006 11:57 AM

**Subject:** Re: Paperwork Reduction Act/OMB Clearance needs

Thanks for your email, Karen. During our phone interviews with the states, we learned that we can identify first-time voters and potential focus group participants after the November election by using their statewide voter registration database records. My plan was to submit the OMB paperwork within the next 2 or 3 weeks and to pursue a standard, not expedited, clearance. That said, we'll need to begin contacting focus group participants on February 19, 2007. Should we change our plans and pursue an expedited clearance instead? Laiza, any thoughts?

Regards,

### Meredith Battle Imwalle

Meredith Battle Imwalle
President
Winner's Circle Communications, LLC
703.786.1823 cell
http://www.winnerscirclecomm.com

---- Original Message ----- From: klynndyson@eac.gov

To: mimwalle@winnerscirclecomm.com

Cc: lotero@eac.gov

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 17, 2006 11:06 AM

Subject: Re: Paperwork Reduction Act/OMB Clearance needs

#### Meredith-

I wanted to be certain to follow-up on last week's call on the PRA/OMB clearance process to determine if you will need Laiza to work with you on an expedited/emergency clearance process.

I know that you will be surveying first-time voters and, perhaps, will need to identify them at the November election.

Karin McDonald has been working with Laiza to get her survey process expedited and I wanted to be certain that if you need the same, that you are working with Laiza to process the paperwork now.

#### **Thanks**

Karen Lynn-Dyson

Research Director U.S. Election Assistance Commission 1225 New York Avenue , NW Suite 1100 Washington, DC 20005 tel:202-566-3123 U.S. ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

Request For Substantive Comments on Procedural Manual For The Election Assistance Commission's Voting System Testing and Certification Program; Proposed Information Collection: Request for Comments on Information Collection

Burden; U.S. EAC Voting System Testing and Certification Program.

**AGENCY**: United States Election Assistance Commission (EAC).

**ACTION**: NOTICE.

Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

**SUMMARY:** The EAC has drafted a procedural manual for its Voting System Testing and Certification Program. This program sets administrative procedures for obtaining an EAC Certification for voting systems. Participation in the program is strictly voluntary. The program is mandated by 42 U.S.C. §15371. The purpose of this notice is twofold: (1) to request public comment on the substantive aspects of the program and (2) to request public comment on the proposed collection of information pursuant to the emergency processing provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act as submitted to the

(1) SUBSTANTIVE COMMENTS: The EAC seeks substantive comments from the public on its proposed procedural manual. Please submit comments consistent with the information below. Comments should identify and cite the section of the manual at issue. Where a substantive issue is raised, please propose a recommended change or alternative policy. This publication and request for comment is not required under the rulemaking, adjudicative or licensing provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act (APA). It is a voluntary effort by the EAC to gather input from the public on the EAC's administrative procedures for certifying or decertifying voting systems. Furthermore, this request by the EAC for public comment is not intended to make any of the APA's rulemaking provisions applicable to development of this or future EAC procedural programs.

<u>DATES (Comments)</u>: Submit written or electronic comments on this draft procedural manual on or before 5:00 p.m. EDT on October 31, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments on-line on EAC's website: <a href="http://www.eac.gov">http://www.eac.gov</a>; via mail to Brian Hancock, Director of Voting System Certification, U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 1225 New York Avenue, Suite 1100, Washington, D.C. 20005; or via fax to 202-566-1392. An electronic copy of the proposed guidance may be found on the EAC's web cite <a href="http://www.eac.gov">http://www.eac.gov</a>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brian Hancock, Director of Voting System Certification, 1225 New York Avenue, Suite 1100, Washington, D.C., (202)566-3100, Fax: (202)566-1392.

(2) COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED COLLECTION OF INFORMATION: In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the EAC is publishing the following summary of proposed collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be

collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

The EAC is requesting an emergency review of the information collection referenced below. In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we have submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the following requirements for emergency review. The EAC is requesting an emergency review because the collection of this information is needed before the expiration of the normal time limits under OMB's regulations at 5 CFR Part 1320(a)(2)(ii). The information collection at issue is necessary in order to provide for the certification of voting systems as mandated by the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (42 U.S.C. §15371). The EAC cannot reasonably comply with the normal clearance procedures because failure to implement this program in an expedited fashion is reasonably likely to result in a public harm, as stated in 5 CFR 1320.13(a)(2)(i).

Approval of this emergency collection is essential in order to comply with Help America Vote Act of 2002 (42 U.S.C. §15371). HAVA requires that the EAC certify and decertify voting systems. Section 231(a)(1) of HAVA specifically requires the EAC to "... provide for the certification, de-certification and re-certification of voting system hardware and software..." This mandate represents the first time the Federal government will provide for the voluntary testing and certification of voting systems, nationwide. In response to this HAVA requirement, the EAC is developing the Voting System Testing and Certification Program. This program requires the submission and retention of information related to voting systems and voting system manufacturers.

Until recently, national voting system certification was conducted by a private membership organization, the National Association of State Election Directors (NASED). NASED certified voting systems for over a decade, using standards issued by the Federal government. The organization terminated its certification efforts on July 10, 2006. While the EAC and NASED have worked together to provide for the certification of emergency modifications necessary to properly field voting systems for the 2006 General Election, there is presently no mechanism in place to test and certify new systems or to process modifications for the 2008 Federal elections. Given the fact that (1) it can take years to develop, test, certify, sell and field a new or modified voting system, and (2) a large volume of voting systems (new, existing and modified) are expected to be submitted to the EAC upon initiation of the new Certification Program, it is imperative that the EAC's Voting System Testing and Certification Program begin on the earliest possible date. The 2008 Federal elections are less than 2 years away. Ensuring that certified voting systems are available for the 2008 Election Cycle is essential to the public welfare.

- 1. Type of Information Collection Request: New collection;
- Title of Information Collection: EAC Voting System Testing and Certification
   Program Manual;
- 3. <u>Use</u>: HAVA requires that the EAC certify and decertify voting systems (42 U.S.C. §15371). Section 231(a)(1) of HAVA specifically requires the EAC to "... provide for the certification, de-certification and re-certification of voting system hardware and software by accredited laboratories." The EAC will perform this mandated function through the use of its Voting System Testing

and Certification Program. Voting systems certified by the EAC will be used by citizens to cast votes in Federal Elections. Therefore, it is paramount that the program operates in a reliable and effective manner. In order to certify a voting system, it is necessary for the EAC to (1) require voting system manufacturers to submit information about their organization and the voting systems they submit for testing and certification; (2) require voting system manufacturers to retain voting system technical and test records; and (3) to provide a mechanism for election officials to report events which may effect a voting system's certification.

- 4. Form Numbers: EAC-001C, 002C and 003C.
- 5. Frequency: Voluntary Reporting (1) Manufacturer Registration Form: one time when a manufacturer registers for the program, (2) Voting System

  Certification Application Form: as needed, when a manufacturer submits a voting system for testing and certification, and (3) Field Anomaly Reporting

  Form: as needed, when an election official voluntarily notifies the EAC of a witnessed voting system anomaly.
- 6. <u>Affected Public:</u> Business or other for-profit institutions and state and local election officials;
- 7. Number of Respondents: 94 annually;
- 8. <u>Total Annual Responses</u>: 99 annually;
- 9. <u>Total Annual Hours</u>: 119 hours, annually.

EAC is requesting OMB review and approval of this collection by

November 30, 2006, with a 180-day approval period. Written comments and recommendations will be considered from the public if received by the individuals designated below by October 31, 2006.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement, the Voting System Testing and Certification Program Manual or EAC forms referenced above, access the EAC Web Site at <a href="https://www.eac.gov">www.eac.gov</a> or mail your request, including your address, phone number, to Director of Voting System Certification, U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 1225 New York Avenue, Suite 1100, Washington, D.C. 20005; or fax the EAC Director of Voting System Certification at 202-566-1392.

Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the burden or any other aspect of these collections of information requirements. However, as noted above, comments on these information collection and recordkeeping requirements must be mailed and/or faxed to the designees referenced below by October 31, 2006:

OMB Reviewer: Alexander T. Hunt

Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235

New Executive Office Building

Washington, DC 20503, (202) 395–7316.

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Agency ICR Tracking Number: ICR Reference Number: 200610-3265-002	Previous ICR Reference Number:
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### 12. Annual Reporting Burden:

- a. Number of Respondents 8,397
- b. Number of Responses per Respondent 1
- c. Total Annual Responses 8,397
- d. Hours per Response 2
- e. Total Annual Reporting Burden 16,794
- f. Total Public Cost \$ 1,091,610

The projected hours per response for this collection of information were derived by dividing the process into three actions:

Learning about the law and the form: 15 minutes

Completion of the form: 20 minutes

Assembling and filing the form: 85 minutes

Total Hours 120 minutes (2 hours)

For the first two actions, tests were used to determine completion times. Persons who were not conversant with immigration processes were used to determine the average completion time. The third action of the form, assembling and filing the form, was broken down into subtasks. For example, an application for a reentry permit or refugee travel document is mailed directly to the USCIS Nebraska Service Center. Meanwhile, an application for advance parole is filed at the local USCIS office if the applicant is in the United States. If, however, the applicant seeking advance parole is outside the United States, he or she would mail the form to USCIS Headquarters in Washington, DC. Consequently, the time necessary to actually file the form can vary widely, depending on the circumstances of the applicant.

### **Annual Reporting Burden**

The annual reporting burden is 16,794. This figure was derived by multiplying the number of respondents (8,397) x frequency of response (1) x (2) hours per response. This estimation is based on prior USCIS experience with the program.

### **Public Cost**

The estimated annual public cost is \$ 1,091,610. This estimate is based on the number of respondents  $8,397 \times (2)$  hours per response  $\times 10$  (average hourly rate) plus the number of respondents  $(8,397 \times 600)$  fee charge of \$190).

- 13. There are no capital or start-up costs associated with this information collection. Any cost burdens to respondents as a result of this information collection are identified in Item 14. There is a \$190 fee charge associated with the collection of this information.
  - 14. Annualized Cost Analysis:

- a. Printing Cost \$ 5,290
- b. Collection and Processing Cost \$ 918,380
- c. Total Cost to Program \$ 923,670
- d. Fee Charge \$ 923,670
- e. Total Cost to Government \$ 0

### **Government Cost**

The estimated cost of the program to the Government is calculated by using the estimated number of respondents (8,397) multiplied (x) by the suggested \$110 fee charge (which includes the suggested average hourly rate for clerical, officer, and managerial time with benefits, plus a percent for the estimated overhead cost for printing, stocking, distributing and processing of this form).

## SUPPORTING STATEMENTS (Name)

A. JUSTIFICATION
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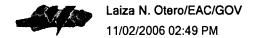
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### B. COLLECTIONS OF INFORMATION EMPLOYING STATISTICAL METHODS

(If your collection does not employ statistical methods, just say that and delete the following five questions from the format.)

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bcc Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV@EAC

Subject Re: EAC Project and Paperwork Reduction Act

Dear Mr. Bourne,

Per our conversation, here are the forms/information that need to be completed. I am also including a handbook of OMB's online submission system, ROCIS, so you get a feel for how the information you provide on the 83-I is presented to them. Since this will be an emergency review, there also needs to be justification included as to why it's going through the emergency process. In addition, we need to submit the survey instrument itself and a draft of the 30-day Federal Register notice (I can provide you a template as well for that if you need one). Please, let me know if you have any questions or need more information. Thank you!

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## PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT SUBMISSION

Please read the instructions before completing this form. For additional forms or assistance in completing this form, contact your agency's Paperwork Clearance Officer. Send two copies of this form, the collection instrument to be reviewed, the Supporting Statement, and any additional documentation to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503 1. Agency/Subagency originating request 2. OMB control number \_ \_ \_ \_ 4. Type of review requested (check one) 3. Type of information collection (check one) a. 🗀 b. 🗀 New collection a. 🔲 Regular Revision of a currently approved collection b. 🛄 Emergency - Approval requested by: \_\_\_\_/\_\_ Extension, without change, of a currently approved collection c. 🗀 Delegated d. 🗖 Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which е. 🔲 Will this information collection have a significant economic impact on a approval has expired f. 🔲 Existing collection in use without an OMB control number 6. Requested expiration date 3a. Public Comments Has the agency received public comments on this information collection? a. Three years from approval date b. Other Specify: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_ □No Yes 7. Title 8. Agency form number(s) (if applicable) 9. Keywords 10. Abstract 11. Affected public (Mark primary with "P" and all others that apply with "X") 12. Obligation to respond (Mark primary with "P" and all others that apply with "X") a. \_\_ Voluntary
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 Semi-annually 6. \_\_Annually b. Program evaluation General purpose statistics g. \_\_Regulatory or compliance 4. Quarterly 8. \_Other (describe) d. Audit 7. \_\_Biennially 18. Agency contact (person who can best answer questions regarding the content of this 17. Statistical methods Does this information collection employ statistical methods? submission) Yes ☐ No Name:

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19. (	Certification	for	<b>Paperwork</b>	Reduction	Act	<b>Submissions</b>
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On behalf of this Federal agency, I certify that the collection of information encompassed by this request complies with 5 CFR 1320.9.

**Note:** The text of 5 CFR 1320.9, and the related provisions of 5 CFR 1320.8(b)(3), appear at the end of the instructions. The certification is to be made with reference to those regulatory provisions as set forth in the instructions.

The following is a summary of the topics, regarding the proposed collection of information, that the certification covers:

- (a) It is necessary for the proper performance of agency functions;
- (b) It avoids unnecessary duplication;
- (c) It reduces burden on small entities;
- (d) It uses plain, coherent, and unambiguous terminology that is understandable to respondents;
- (e) Its implementation will be consistent and compatible with current reporting and recordkeeping practices;
- (f) It indicates the retention period for recordkeeping requirements;
- (g) It informs respondents of the information called for under 5 CFR 1320.8(b)(3):
  - (i) Why the information is being collected;
  - (ii) Use of information;
  - (iii) Burden estimate;
  - (iv) Nature of response (voluntary, required for a benefit, or mandatory);
  - (v) Nature and extent of confidentiality; and
  - (vi) Need to display currently valid OMB control number;
- (h) It was developed by an office that has planned and allocated resources for the efficient and effective management and use of the information to be collected (see note in Item 19 of the instructions);
- (i) It uses effective and efficient statistical survey methodology; and
- (j) It makes appropriate use of information technology.

If you are unable to certify compliance with any of these provisions, identify the item below and explain the reason in Item 18 of the Supporting Statement.

Signature of Senior Official or designee	Date

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## Instructions For Completing OMB Form 83-I

Please answer all questions and have the Senior Official or designee sign the form. These instructions should be used in conjunction with 5 CFR 1320, which provides information on coverage, definitions, and other matters of procedure and interpretation under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

#### 1. Agency/Subagency originating request

Provide the name of the agency or subagency originating the request. For most cabinet-level agencies, a subagency designation is also necessary. For non-cabinet agencies, the subagency designation is generally unnecessary.

#### 2. OMB control number

- a. If the information collection in this request has previously received or now has an OMB control or comment number, enter the number.
- b. Check "None" if the information collection in this request has not previously received an OMB control number. Enter the four digit agency code for your agency.

#### 3. Type of information collection (check one)

- a. Check "New collection" when the collection has not previously been used or sponsored by the agency.
- b. Check "Revision" when the collection is currently approved by OMB, and the agency request includes a material change to the collection instrument, instructions, its frequency of collection, or the use to which the information is to be put.
- c. Check "Extension" when the collection is currently approved by OMB, and the agency wishes only to extend the approval past the current expiration date without making any material change in the collection instrument, instructions, frequency of collection, or the use to which the information is to be put.
- d. Check "Reinstatement without change" when the collection previously had OMB approval, but the approval has expired or was withdrawn before this submission was made, and there is no change to the collection.
- e. Check "Reinstatement with change" when the collection previously had OMB approval, but the approval has expired or was withdrawn before this submission was made, and there is change to the collection.
- f. Check "Existing collection in use without OMB control number" when the collection is currently in use but does not have a currently valid OMB control number.

#### 4. Type of review requested (check one)

- a. Check "Regular" when the collection is submitted under 5 CFR 1320.10, 1320.11, or 1320.12 with a standard 60 day review schedule.
- b. Check "Emergency" when the agency is submitting the request under 5 CFR 1320.13 for emergency processing and provides the required supporting material. Provide the date by which the agency requests approval.
- c. Check "Delegated" when the agency is submitting the collection under the conditions OMB has granted the agency delegated authority.

#### 5. Small entities

Indicate whether this information collection will have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. A small entity may be (1) a small business which is deemed to be one that is independently owned and operated and that is not dominant in its field of operation; (2) a small organization that is any not-for-profit enterprise that is independently owned and operated and is not dominant in its field; or (3) a small government jurisdiction which is a government of a city, county, town, township, school district, or special district with a population of less than 50,000.

#### 6. Requested expiration date

- a. Check "Three years" if the agency requests a three year approval for the collection.
- b. Check "Other" if the agency requests approval for less than three years. Specify the month and year of the requested expiration date.

#### 7. Title

Provide the official title of the information collection. If an official title does not exist, provide a description which will distinguish this collection from others.

#### 8. Agency form number(s) (if applicable)

Provide any form number the agency has assigned to this collection of information. Separate each form number with a comma.

#### 9. Keywords

Select and list at least two keywords (descriptors) from the "Federal Register Thesaurus of Indexing Terms" that describe the subject area(s) of the information collection. Other terms may be used but should be listed after those selected from the thesaurus. Separate keywords with commas. Keywords should not exceed two lines of text.

#### 10. Abstract

Provide a statement, limited to five lines of text, covering the agency's need for the information, uses to which it will be put, and a brief description of the respondents.

#### 11. Affected public

Mark all categories that apply, denoting the primary public with a "P" and all others that apply with "X."

#### 12. Obligation to respond

Mark all categories that apply, denoting the primary obligation with a "P" and all others that apply with "X."

- a. Mark "Voluntary" when the response is entirely discretionary and has no direct effect on any benefit or privilege for the respondent.
- b. Mark "Required to obtain or retain benefits" when the response is elective, but is required to obtain or retain a benefit
- c. Mark "Mandatory" when the respondent must reply or face civil or criminal sanctions.

#### 13. Annual reporting and recordkeeping hour burden

- a. Enter the number of respondents and/or recordkeepers.
   If a respondent is also a recordkeeper, report the respondent only once.
- Enter the number of responses provided annually. For recordkeeping as compared to reporting activity, the number of responses equals the number of recordkeepers.
- b1. Enter the estimated percentage of responses that will be submitted/collected electronically using magnetic media (i.e., diskette), electronic mail, or electronic data interchange. Facsimile is not considered an electronic submission.
- Enter the total annual recordkeeping and reporting hour burden.
- d. Enter the burden hours currently approved by OMB for this collection of information. Enter zero (0) for any new submission or for any collection whose OMB approval has expired.
- e. Enter the difference by subtracting line d from line c. Record a negative number (d larger than c) within parentheses.
- f. Explain the difference. The difference in line e must be accounted for in lines f.1. and f.2.
- f.1. "Program change" is the result of deliberate Federal government action. All new collections and any subsequent revision of existing collections (e.g., the addition or deletion of questions) are recorded as program changes.
- f.2. "Adjustment" is a change that is not the result of a deliberate Federal government action. Changes resulting from new estimates or action not controllable by the Federal government are recorded as adjustments.

## 14. Annual reporting and recordkeeping cost burden (in thousands of dollars)

The costs identified in this item must exclude the cost of hour burden identified in Item 13.

- a. Enter the total dollar amount of annualized cost for all respondents of any associated capital or start-up costs.
- Enter recurring annual dollar amount of cost for all respondents associated with operating or maintaining systems or purchasing services.
- c. Enter total (14.a. + 14.b.) annual reporting and recordkeeping cost burden.
- d. Enter any cost burden currently approved by OMB for this collection of information. Enter zero (0) if this is the first submission after October 1, 1995.
- e. Enter the difference by subtracting line d from line c.

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#### 15. Purpose of information collection

Mark all categories that apply, denoting the primary purpose with a "P" and all others that apply with "X."

- a. Mark "Application for benefits" when the purpose is to participate in, receive, or qualify for a grant, financial assistance, etc., from a Federal agency or program.
- b. Mark "Program evaluation" when the purpose is a formal assessment, through objective measures and systematic analysis, of the manner and extent to which Federal programs achieve their objectives or produce other significant effects.
- c. Mark "General purpose statistics" when the data is collected chiefly for use by the public or for general government use without primary reference to the policy or program operations of the agency collecting the data.
- d. Mark "Audit" when the purpose is to verify the accuracy of accounts and records.
- e. Mark "Program planning or management" when the purpose relates to progress reporting, financial reporting and grants management, procurement and quality control, or other administrative information that does not fit into any other category.

- f. Mark "Research" when the purpose is to further the course of research, rather than for a specific program number
- g. Mark "Regulatory or compliance" when the purpose is to measure compliance with laws or regulations.

#### 16. Frequency of recordkeeping or reporting

Check "Recordkeeping" if the collection of information explicitly includes a recordkeeping requirement.

Check "Third party disclosure" if a collection of information includes third-party disclosure requirements as defined by 1320.3(c).

Check "Reporting" for information collections that involve reporting and check the frequency of reporting that is requested or required of a respondent. If the reporting is on "an event" basis, check "On occasion."

#### 17. Statistical methods

Check "Yes" if the information collection uses statistical methods such as sampling or imputation. Generally, check "No" for applications and audits (unless a random auditing scheme is used). Check "Yes" for statistical collections; most research collections, and program evaluations using scientific methods. For other types of data collection, the use of sampling, imputation, or other statistical estimation techniques should dictate the response for this item. Ensure that supporting documentation is provided in accordance with Section B of the Supporting Statement.

#### 18. Agency contact

Provide the name and telephone number of the agency person best able to answer questions regarding the content of this submission.

## 19. Certification for Paperwork Reduction Act Submissions

The Senior Official or designee signing this statement certifies that the collection of information encompassed by the request complies with 5 CFR 1320.9. Provisions of this certification that the agency cannot comply with should be identified here and fully explained in item 18 of the attached Supporting Statement. NOTE: The Office that "develops" and "uses" the information to be collected is the office that "conducts or sponsors" the collection of information. (See 5 CFR 1320.3(d)).

### **Certification Requirement for Paperwork Reduction Act Submissions**

- 5 CFR 1320.9 reads "As part of the agency submission to OMB of a proposed collection of information, the agency (through the head of the agency, the Senior Official, or their designee) shall certify (and provide a record supporting such certification) that the proposed collection of information--
- "(a) is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including that the information to be collected will have practical utility;
  - "(b) is not unnecessarily duplicative of information otherwise reasonably accessible to the agency;
- "(c) reduces to the extent practicable and appropriate the burden on persons who shall provide information to or for the agency, including with respect to small entities, as defined in the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. § 601(6)), the use of such techniques as:
  - "(1) establishing differing compliance or reporting requirements or timetables that take into account the resources available to those who are to respond;
  - "(2) the clarification, consolidation, or simplification of compliance and reporting requirements; or collections of information, or any part thereof;
    - "(3) an exemption from coverage of the collection of information, or any part thereof;
  - "(d) is written using plain, coherent, and unambiguous terminology and is understandable to those who are to respond;
- "(e) is to be implemented in ways consistent and compatible, to the maximum extent practicable, with the existing reporting and recordkeeping practices of those who are to respond;
  - "(f) indicates for each recordkeeping requirement the length of time persons are required to maintain the records specified;
  - "(g) informs potential respondents of the information called for under §1320.8(b)(3); [see below]
- "(h) has been developed by an office that has planned and allocated resources for the efficient and effective management and use of the information to be collected, including the processing of the information in a manner which shall enhance, where appropriate, the utility of the information to agencies and the public;
- "(i) uses effective and efficient statistical survey methodology appropriate to the purpose for which the information is to be collected; and
- "(j) to the maximum extent practicable, uses appropriate information technology to reduce burden and improve data quality, agency efficiency and responsiveness to the public."
- NOTE: 5 CFR 1320.8(b)(3) requires that each collection of information:
  - "(3) informs and provides reasonable notice to the potential persons to whom the collection of information is addressed of:
    - "(i) the reasons the information is planned to be and/or has been collected;
  - "(ii) the way such information is planned to be and/or has been used to further the proper performance of the functions of the agency;
  - "(iii) an estimate, to the extent practicable, of the average burden of the collection (together with a request that the public direct to the agency any comments concerning the accuracy of this burden estimate and any suggestions for reducing this burden);
  - "(iv) whether responses to the collection of information are voluntary, require to obtain or retain a benefit (citing authority) or mandatory (citing authority);
    - "(v) the nature and extent of confidentiality to be provided, if any (citing authority); and
  - "(vi) the fact that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number."

### Supporting Statement for Paperwork Reduction Act Submissions

#### **General Instructions**

A Supporting Statement, including the text of the notice to the public required by 5 CFR 1320.5(a)(i)(iv) and its actual or estimated date of publication in the Federal Register, must accompany each request for approval of a collection of information. The Supporting Statement must be prepared in the format described below, and must contain the information specified in Section A below. If an item is not applicable, provide a brief explanation. When Item 17 of the OMB Form 83-I is checked "Yes", Section B of the Supporting Statement must be completed. OMB reserves the right to require the submission of additional information with respect to any request for approval.

#### **Specific Instructions**

#### A. Justification

- Explain the circumstances that make the collection of information necessary. Identify any legal or administrative requirements that necessitate the collection. Attach a copy of the appropriate section of each statute and regulation mandating or authorizing the collection of information.
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- 3. Describe whether, and to what extent, the collection of information involves the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses, and the basis for the decision for adopting this means of collection. Also describe any consideration of using information technology to reduce burden.
- 4. Describe efforts to identify duplication. Show specifically why any similar information already available cannot be used or modified for use for the purposes described in Item 2 above.
- If the collection of information impacts small businesses or other small entities (Item 5 of OMB Form 83-I), describe any methods used to minimize burden.
- Describe the consequence to Federal program or policy activities if the collection is not conducted or is conducted less frequently, as well as any technical or legal obstacles to reducing burden.
- 7. Explain any special circumstances that would cause an information collection to be conducted in a manner:
- \* requiring respondents to report information to the agency more often than quarterly;
- \* requiring respondents to prepare a written response to a collection of information in fewer than 30 days after receipt of it;
- \* requiring respondents to submit more than an original and two copies of any document;

- \* requiring respondents to retain records, other than health, medical, government contract, grant-in-aid, or tax records, for more than three years;
- \* in connection with a statistical survey, that is not designed to produce valid and reliable results that can be generalized to the universe of study;
- \* requiring the use of a statistical data classification that has not been reviewed and approved by OMB;
- \* that includes a pledge of confidentiality that is not supported by authority established in statute or regulation, that is not supported by disclosure and data security policies that are consistent with the pledge, or which unnecessarily impedes sharing of data with other agencies for compatible confidential use; or
- \* requiring respondents to submit proprietary trade secrets, or other confidential information unless the agency can demonstrate that it has instituted procedures to protect the information's confidentiality to the extent permitted by law.
- 8. If applicable, provide a copy and identify the date and page number of publication in the Federal Register of the agency's notice, required by 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on the information collection prior to submission to OMB. Summarize public comments received in response to that notice and describe actions taken by the agency in response to these comments. Specifically address comments received on cost and hour burden.

Describe efforts to consult with persons outside the agency to obtain their views on the availability of data, frequency of collection, the clarity of instructions and recordkeeping, disclosure, or reporting format (if any), and on the data elements to be recorded, disclosed, or reported.

Consultation with representatives of those from whom information is to be obtained or those who must compile records should occur at least once every 3 years - even if the collection of information activity is the same as in prior periods. There may be circumstances that may preclude consultation in a specific situation. These circumstances should be explained.

- Explain any decision to provide any payment or gift to respondents, other than reenumeration of contractors or grantees.
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is requested, and any steps to be taken to obtain their consent.

- 12. Provide estimates of the hour burden of the collection of information. The statement should:
- \* Indicate the number of respondents, frequency of response, annual hour burden, and an explanation of how the burden was estimated. Unless directed to do so, agencies should not conduct special surveys to obtain information on which to base hour burden estimates. Consultation with a sample (fewer than 10) of potential respondents is desirable. If the hour burden on respondents is expected to vary widely because of differences in activity, size, or complexity, show the range of estimated hour burden, and explain the reasons for the variance. Generally, estimates should not include burden hours for customary and usual business practices. \* If this request for approval covers more than one
- \* If this request for approval covers more than one form, provide separate hour burden estimates for each form and aggregate the hour burdens in Item 13 of OMB Form 83-I.
- \* Provide estimates of annualized cost to respondents for the hour burdens for collections of information, identifying and using appropriate wage rate categories. The cost of contracting out or paying outside parties for information collection activities should not be included here. Instead, this cost should be included in Item 13.
- 13. Provide an estimate for the total annual cost burden to respondents or recordkeepers resulting from the collection of information. (Do not include the cost of any hour burden shown in Items 12 and 14).
- \* The cost estimate should be split into two components: (a) a total capital and start-up cost component (annualized over its expected useful life) and (b) a total operation and maintenance and purchase of services component. The estimates should take into account costs associated with generating, maintaining, and disclosing or providing the information. Include descriptions of methods used to estimate major cost factors including system and technology acquisition, expected useful life of capital equipment, the discount rate(s), and the time period over which costs will be incurred. Capital and start-up costs include, among other items, preparations for collecting information such as purchasing computers and software; monitoring, sampling, drilling and testing equipment; and record storage facilities.
- \* If cost estimates are expected to vary widely, agencies should present ranges of cost burdens and explain the reasons for the variance. The cost of purchasing or contracting out information collections services should be a part of this cost burden estimate. In developing cost burden estimates, agencies may consult with a sample of respondents (fewer than 10), utilize the 60-day pre-OMB submission public comment process and use

existing economic or regulatory impact analysis associated with the rulemaking containing the information collection, as appropriate.

- \* Generally, estimates should not include purchases of equipment or services, or portions thereof, made: (1) prior to October 1, 1995, (2) to achieve regulatory compliance with requirements not associated with the information collection, (3) for reasons other than to provide information or keep records for the government, or (4) as part of customary and usual business or private practices.
- 14. Provide estimates of annualized costs to the Federal government. Also, provide a description of the method used to estimate cost, which should include quantification of hours, operational expenses (such as equipment, overhead, printing, and support staff), and any other expense that would not have been incurred without this collection of information. Agencies may also aggregate cost estimates from Items 12, 13, and 14 in a single table.
- 15. Explain the reasons for any program changes or adjustments reported in Items 13 or 14 of the OMB Form 83-I.
- 16. For collections of information whose results will be published, outline plans for tabulation and publication. Address any complex analytical techniques that will be used. Provide the time schedule for the entire project, including beginning and ending dates of the collection of information, completion of report, publication dates, and other actions.

- 17. If seeking approval to not display the expiration date for OMB approval of the information collection, explain the reasons that display would be inappropriate.
- Explain each exception to the certification statement identified in Item 19, "Certification for Paperwork Reduction Act Submissions," of OMB Form 83-1

#### B. Collections of Information Employing Statistical Methods

The agency should be prepared to justify its decision not to use statistical methods in any case where such methods might reduce burden or improve accuracy of results. When Item 17 on the Form OMB 83-I is checked, "Yes," the following documentation should be included in the Supporting Statement to the extend that it applies to the methods proposed:

Describe (including a numerical estimate) the potential respondent universe and any sampling or other respondent selection methods to be used. Data on the number of entities (e.g., establishments, State and local government units, households, or persons) in the universe covered by the collection and in the corresponding sample are to be provided in tabular form for the universe as a whole and for each of the strata in the proposed sample. Indicate expected response rates for the collection as a whole. If the collection had been conducted previously, include the actual response rate achieved during the last collection.

- 2. Describe the procedures for the collection of information including:
- \* Statistical methodology for stratification and sample selection,
- \* Estimation procedure,
- \* Degree of accuracy needed for the purpose described in the justification,
- \* Unusual problems requiring specialized sampling procedures, and
- \* Any use of periodic (less frequent than annual) data collection cycles to reduce burden.
- 3. Describe methods to maximize response rates and to deal with issues of non-response. The accuracy and reliability of information collected must be shown to be adequate for intended uses. For collections based on sampling, a special justification must be provided for any collection that will not yield "reliable" data that can be generalized to the universe studied.
- 4. Describe any tests of procedures or methods to be undertaken. Testing is encouraged as an effective means of refining collections of information to minimize burden and improve utility. Tests must be approved if they call for answers to identical questions from 10 or more respondents. A proposed test or set of test may be submitted for approval separately or in combination with the main collection of information.
- 5. Provide the name and telephone number of individuals consulted on statistical aspects of the design and the name of the agency unit, contractor(s), grantee(s), or other person(s) who will actually collect and/or analyze the information for the agency.

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## **HOW TO Log Into ROCIS**

If you are logging onto the system, please point your browser to <u>www.rocis.gov</u> to enter real data or to the Practice Site provided to you by OIRA, <a href="http://192.136.12.204/rocis/">http://192.136.12.204/rocis/</a>.

Read and select the Accept Terms on the Warning Screen.

Enter your User ID (first initial and last name) and Password (initially rocis123 until you change it to your personal password as directed by the system). Select the Done button on the Notification screen.

You may land directly into your ICR Module inbox of at a screen requesting you to choose the Agenda/Reg module or the PRA module. Please select PRA to conduct business in the ICR Module or Agenda/Reg to change passwords or to review and modify your user information.

## **HOW TO Change Your Password**

If this is the first time you have logged in, the system will ask you to change your password. On the Change Password screen, enter your old password, enter your new password (must be at least 8 characters, must have one number and one special character—like oira@1234) in both boxes as indicated and click Change Password button. When you get the Confirmation screen, click ok. Please do not share your password with any other authorized or unauthorized user.

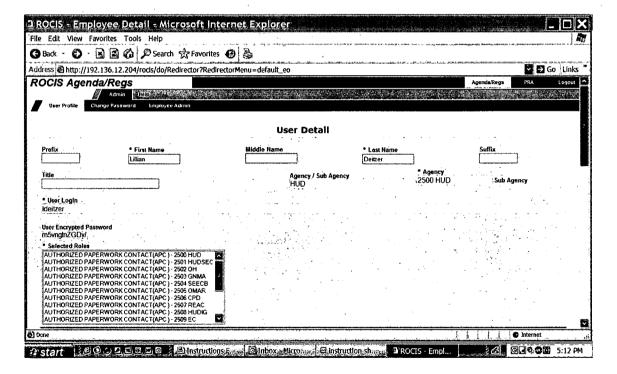
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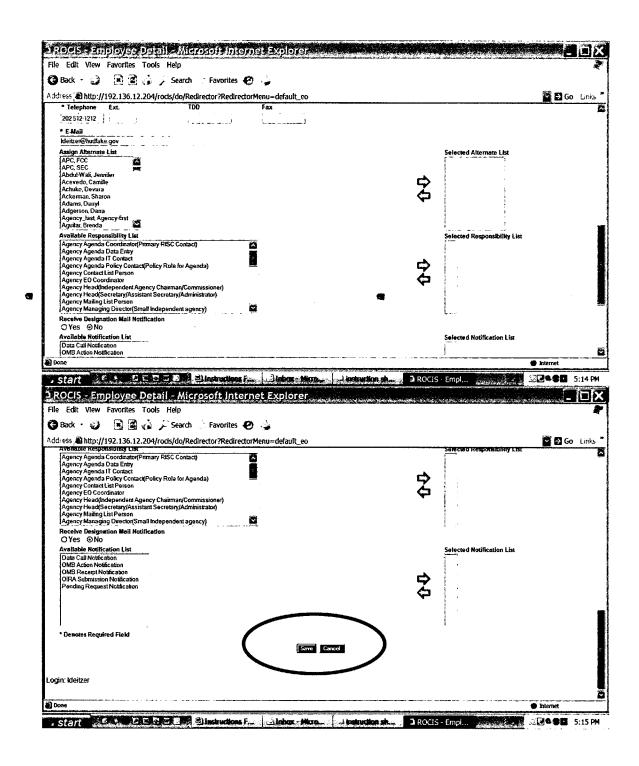
## **HOW TO Review and Change Your User Profile**

Upon successful login, you should arrive at your Inbox. If you are an Agency user, you will arrive in your Created Request List. If you are an OIRA user, you will arrive in your Pending List of reviews that are assigned to you. Take a moment to look at your tabs and sub tabs at the top of the screen. Select the Agenda/Regs tab. Click on the Admin tab on the top line. The User Profile tab provides you a place to view and update your user information.

Upon initial entry, please verify and make appropriate changes to name, agency, telephone number and e-mail. Please do not enter address information and disregard the information about your role in ROCIS, which is for System Administrative Use. Then, be sure to save your information. The Save button is all the way at the bottom of the screen.

Please be sure to return to the User Profile to modify your personal information whenever changes occur, such as your phone number or e-mail address.

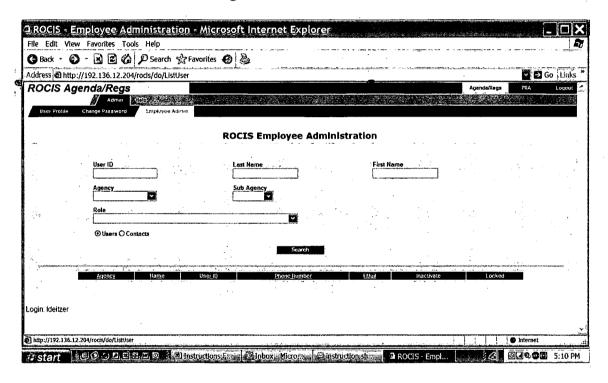




To leave the User Profile page, scroll to the bottom and click Save (if you changed anything) or Cancel. This will take you back to the ROCIS Employee Administration screen.

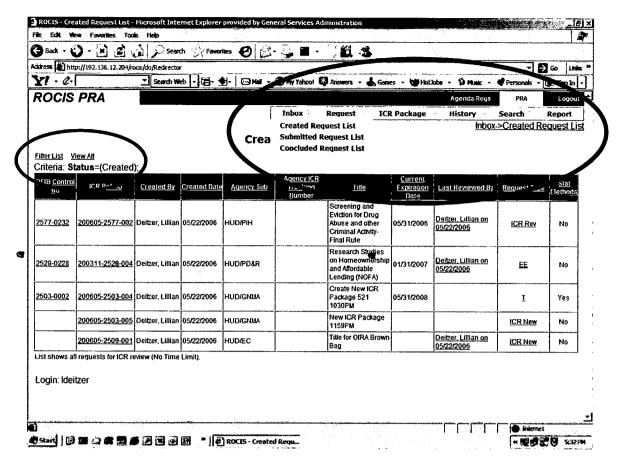
## **HOW TO Use the ROCIS Employee Administration Search**

The purpose of the Employee Administration Screen is to allow ROCIS users to find other ROCIS users via the search capability. For instance, if you would like to send another agency's Authorized Paperwork Contact (Submitter) an e-mail regarding a potential transfer of an OMB Control Number, you are able to search on the APC "role" for the agency and receive a list of contact information. If a clearance officer wants to identify for management the list of preparers (PDECs) for his/her agency, this is the screen from which to search and gain the information.



When you have satisfied your ROCIS administrative functions, click on the PRA tab to return to the Created Request List Inbox for Agency users or to the Pending Inbox for OIRA users.





When you arrive in ROCIS ICR Module after successfully logging in, you'll be in the Created Request List Inbox. Think of this as the top of the desk in your office where you are working to create and prepare ICRs and other requests to OIRA, such as, emergency extensions, discontinuations, or transfer OMB Control Numbers.

You may sort on each of the column headings to organize your work space and you may filter and/or view all the contents of the inbox.

## **HOW TO Use the Home Row of Tabs**

At the top of the screen is a set of tabs that enable you to perform any and all functions within ROCIS and within the ICR Module. This set of tabs is referred to as the Home Row. You can move from the Created Request List to the Submitted (to OIRA) Request List and to the (OIRA) Concluded Request List. You can also select from a drop down of Request types, use the Simple and Advanced Search tools or run Reports. When you are working on or viewing an OMB Control Number or ICR Package, you can

When you are working on or viewing an OMB Control Number or ICR Package, you can use the Home Row to view the ICR Package and the History of the ICR package or the History of the OMB Control Number.

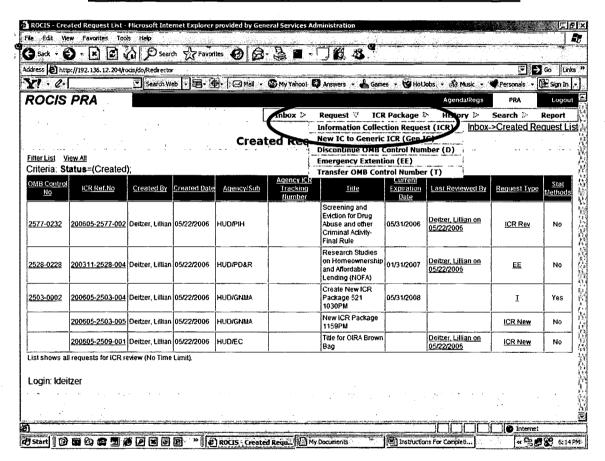
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## **HOW TO Create an ICR Package**

There are three ways to create an ICR Package—

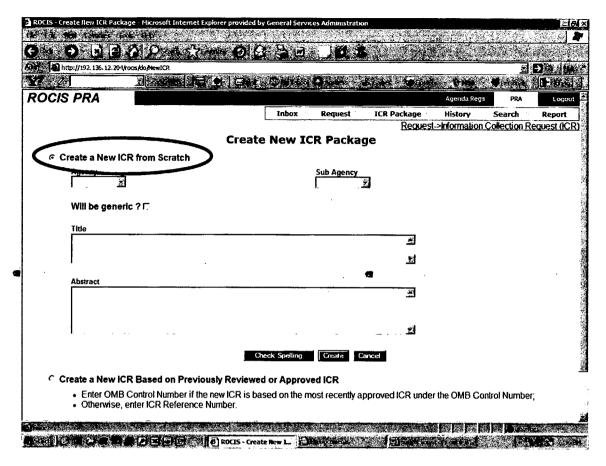
- 1. By using the Request drop down box to select the type of request you desire;
- 2. By finding an action in the Concluded Request List to view and from which to view and begin a new ICR, or
- 3. By searching for an OMB Control Number or ICR Reference Number of an existing ICR to view and from which to begin a new ICR.

## 1. Create an ICR by selecting from the Request drop down box.



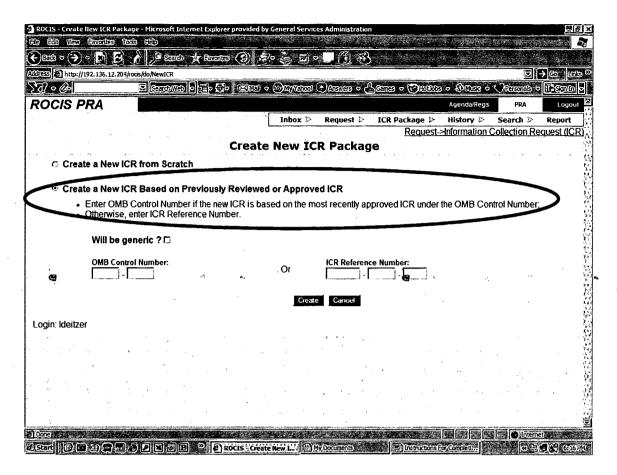
Select and click on Information Collection Request (ICR).

The screen below will appear.



Use this screen to identify the Agency, Sub Agency, Title and Abstract of a new ICR that has no existing OMB Control Number (or previously begun ICR Package).

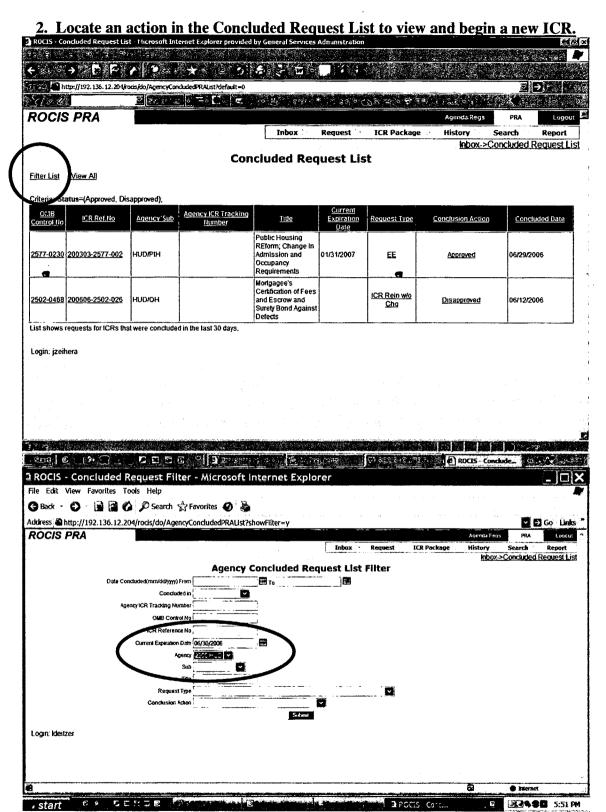
Select Create a New ICR from Scratch.



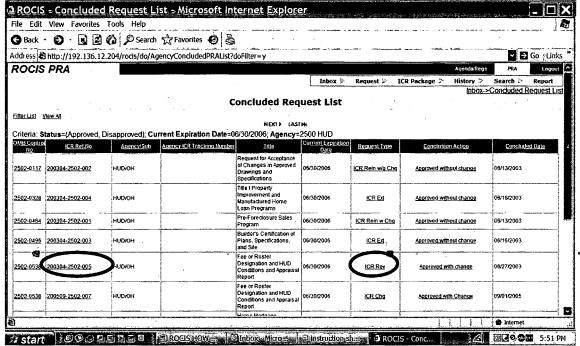
If an OMB Control Number exists, use this screen to identify the OMB Control Number or most recently approved ICR under the OMB Control Number to create an ICR. Both of these lead to the Edit ICR screen. Select Create a New ICR Based on Previously Reviewed or Approved ICR.

If the Create a New ICR from Scratch was selected, the Edit ICR screen will be blank except the agency, sub agency, title and abstract you created. An ICR Reference Number is assigned by the system upon creation to track the ICR throughout its history.

If the second screen is used, ROCIS will assign an ICR Reference Number and populate the screen from the last previously approved ICR under the OMB Control Number. Records from the legacy OIRA data base are migrated to the ROCIS ICR Module data base. When viewing ICRs that are created from migrated data, keep in mind that some data was not collected electronically in the legacy system, in which case, the field will appear blank.

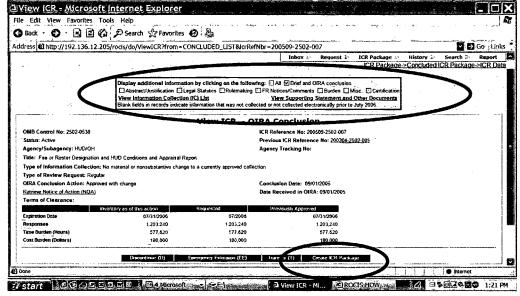


The result of the Agency Concluded Request List Filter search is a list of expiring for the selected date of 6/30/2006 from which to view the last approval and from which to create a new ICR:

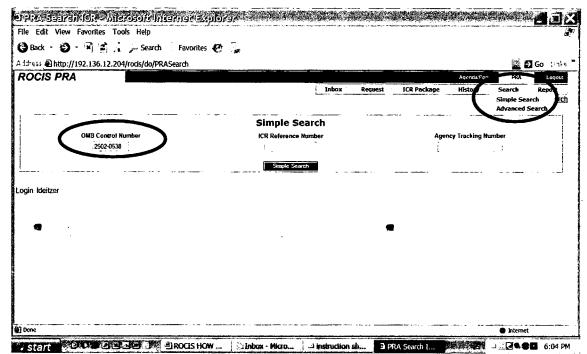


Select an ICR by clicking either on the ICR Ref No. or on the Request Type to View the ICR—OIRA Conclusion screen. Choose the action you wish to pursue; e.g., "Create ICR Package" from the choices in blue boxes at the bottom of the screen.

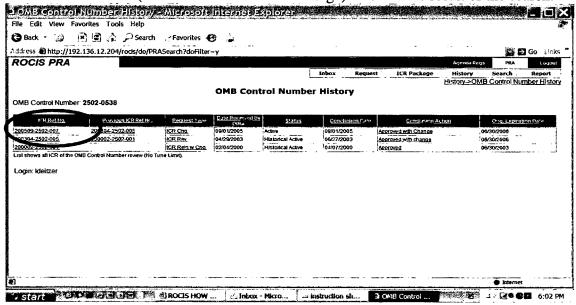
Note also the many ways you can view the ICR--from a very brief summary to the entire record—based on selection of choices in the Display Box.



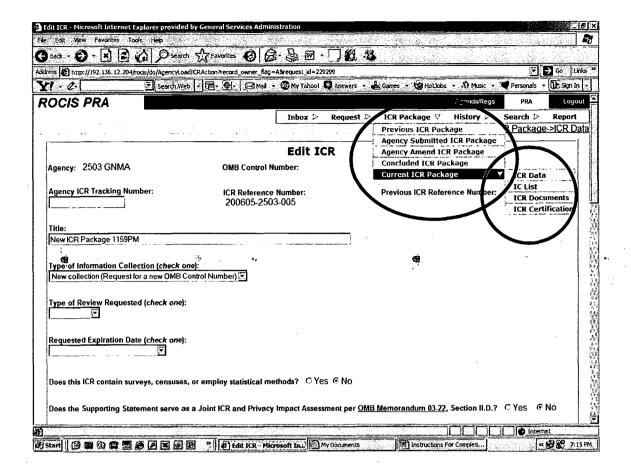
## 3. Create an ICR by Using the Simple Search--Enter the OMB Control Number.



The result is the OMB Control Number History. Find the last approved ICR from which to base the new ICR (revision or extension or change). Here is the result of the search:



Click on the ICR Reference Number or the Request Type and you will be brought to the same View ICR-OIRA Conclusion screen from which to make your choice of action at the bottom of the screen; e.g., Create ICR Package.



### Instructions for Completing the Fields of the EDIT ICR Screen

These instructions should be used in conjunction with 5 CFR 1320, which provides information on coverage, definitions, and other matters of procedure and interpretation under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

### 1. Agency/Sub agency of the originating request

Provide the four digit agency code for your agency or sub agency originating the request. For most cabinet-level agencies, a sub agency designation is also necessary. For non-cabinet agencies, the sub agency designation is generally unassigned.

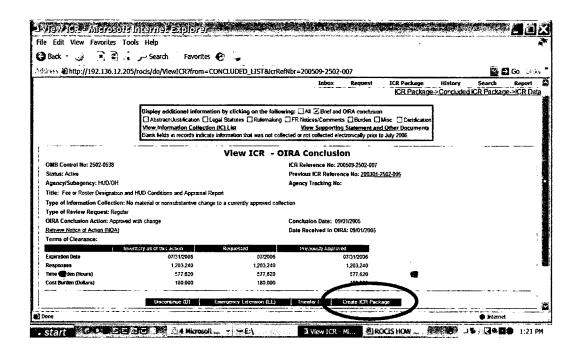
### 2. OMB Control Number

- a. If the information collection in this request has previously received or now has an OMB Control Number, enter the number.
- b. If the information collection in this request has not previously received an OMB Control Number, one will be assigned upon approval of the ICR by OIRA.

## 3. Agency Tracking Number

Use to distinguish ICRs in ways helpful to your agency; for instance, include codes for strategic goals, associated rules, associated IT investments, record number in former

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## **HOW TO Edit the ICR Package**

Similar to the former paper process, the electronic ICR package contains four basic elements:

- ✓ ICR Data (equivalent to the former 83I--one per package)
- ✓ IC (Information Collection) form(s), survey(s) or other collection instrument(s) and/or CFR citation(s) requiring collections --at least one IC per ICR package
- ✓ ICR Documents
  - o Supporting Statement A
  - o Supporting Statement B (when statistical .....)
  - Supplemental Documents
    - Draft (not published) Proposed Rule
    - Draft (not published) Final Rule
    - Draft Federal Register Notice
    - Justification for a no material/nonsubstantive change (old 83C)
    - Supplemental Documents not fitting the other categories
  - o Public Comments

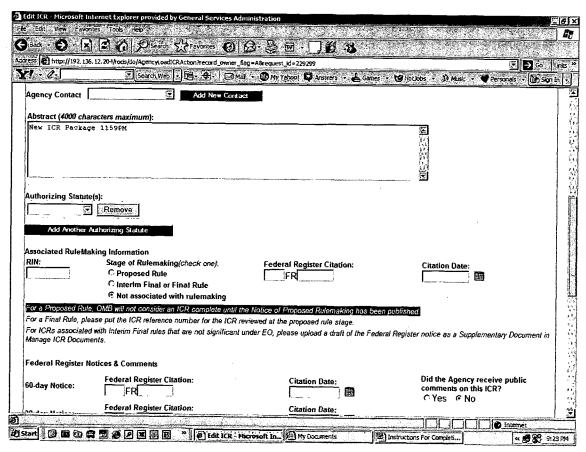
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✓ ICR Certification (back of the former 83I) of adherence to provisions of PRA.

The Edit ICR screen is equivalent to the 83I in the paper process and is the foundation of the package. While working on the Current ICR package, you may use ICR Package and History tabs at the home row to assist your preparation.

- 8. Requested expiration date
- a. Select "Three years" if the agency requests a three year approval for the collection.
- b. Select "Other" if the agency requests approval for less than three years. Specify the month and year of the requested expiration date. The maximum request for an Emergency ICR is 6 months.
- 9. Does this ICR contain surveys, censuses, or employ statistical methods? Select "Yes" if the information collection uses statistical methods such as sampling or imputation. Generally, select "No" for applications and audits (unless a random auditing scheme is used). Select "Yes" for statistical collections, most research collections, and program evaluations using scientific methods. For other types of data collection, the use of sampling, imputation, or other statistical estimation techniques should dictate the response for this item. Ensure that supporting documentation is provided in Supporting Statement B. Upload Supporting Statement B on the Manage Documents screen. Select ICR Docs at the Current ICR at the ICR Package tab at Home Row of Tabs.
- 10. Does the Supporting Statement serve as a Joint ICR and Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) per OMB Memorandum 03-22, Section II.D? If "Yes," according to the OMB Memorandum 03-22, address accordingly in the

Supporting Statement A. To learn more about a joint ICR and PIA, open the hot linked Memorandum.



agency-specific PRA tracking system, etc. Agencies without sub agency codes can use the Agency Tracking Number to identify ICRs to divisions or branches.

4. ICR Reference Number and Previous ICR Reference Number Assigned and populated by the system based on the Create action. The format is YYYYMM of the month of origin---Agency/Sub Agency code---sequential number assigned per action per month.

### 5. Title

Provide the official title of the information collection request. If an official title does not exist, provide a description which will distinguish this collection request from others and enable text searches on titles.

- 6. Type of information collection (select one)
- a. Select "New collection" when the collection has not previously been used or sponsored by the agency.
- b. Select "Revision" when the collection is currently approved by OMB, and the agency request includes a material change to the collection instrument, instructions, its frequency of collection, or the use to which the information is to be put.
- c. Select "Extension" when the collection is currently approved by OMB, and the agency wishes only to extend the approval past the current expiration date without making any material change in the collection instrument, instructions, frequency of collection, or the use to which the information is to be put.
- d. Select "Reinstatement without change" when the collection previously had OMB approval, but the approval has expired or was withdrawn before this submission was made, and there is no change to the collection.
- e. Select "Reinstatement with change" when the collection previously had OMB approval, but the approval has expired or was withdrawn before this submission was made, and there is change to the collection.
- f. Select "Existing collection in use without OMB control number" when the collection is currently in use but does not have a currently valid OMB control number.
- g. Select Nonmaterial/Nonsubstantive Change to perform the function of the former 83C Change Sheet. (Upload—electronically attach—your explanation of the requested change in Supplemental Documents.)
- 7. Type of review requested (select one)
- a. Select "Regular" when the collection is submitted under 5 CFR 1320.10, 1320.11, or 1320.12 with a standard 60 day review schedule.
- b. Select "Emergency" when the agency is submitting the request under 5 CFR 1320.13 for emergency processing and provides the required supporting material. Provide the date by which the agency requests approval and the justification in the blank presented upon selection of "Emergency."
- c. Select "Delegated" when the agency is submitting the collection under the conditions OMB has granted the agency delegated authority.

16. Did the Agency receive public comments on this ICR?

If comments were not received, select "No." If comments were received, select "Yes," and summarize public comments received and describe actions taken by the agency in response to these comments in Supporting Statement A. Specifically address comments received on cost and hour burden. Describe efforts to consult with persons outside the agency to obtain their views on the availability of data, frequency of collection, the clarity of instructions and recordkeeping, disclosure, or reporting format (if any), and on the data elements to be recorded, disclosed, or reported. Consultation with representatives of those from whom information is to be obtained or those who must compile records should occur at least once every 3 years - even if the collection of information activity is the same as in prior periods. There may be circumstances that may preclude consultation in a specific situation. These circumstances should be explained.

Public comments can be, but are not required to be, uploaded in ICR Documents, especially if the comments are available through the Federal Docket Management System or other electronic means that can be made available to the OIRA desk officer. Comments received by OIRA in response to the 30-day notice will be uploaded by OIRA. Public comments can be uploaded at the Manage Documents page located at ICR Documents under the Current ICR Package at the home row. When providing multiple comments, it is adequate to provide a representative comment document.

## 11. Agency Contact

Provide the name and telephone number of the agency person best able to answer questions regarding the content of this submission. If sensitive to having this name published on the OMB website, <a href="http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/inforeg/infocoll.html">http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/inforeg/infocoll.html</a> or www.RegInfo.gov , please consider using the name of the agency's Clearance Officer.

### 12. Abstract

Provide a statement, limited to 4,000 characters of text, covering the agency's need for the information, uses to which it will be put, and a brief description of the respondents. The requirement to identify Keywords has been removed as a requirement because the text search of titles and abstracts are possible. You may want to continue to include in titles and abstracts keywords (descriptors) from the "Federal Register Thesaurus of Indexing Terms" that describe the subject area(s) of the information collection.

## 13. Authorizing Statute

Provide the statute that is the source of the ICR or the source of the associated rulemaking, whichever is more appropriate. If neither is appropriate, provide the authorizing statute for the program or for the agency or leave blank.

### 14. Associated rulemaking Information

Select Proposed Rule, Interim Final or Final Rule, or Not associated with rulemaking as appropriate. If Proposed rule or Interim Final Rule, enter the RIN number, the Federal Register Citation and the Citation Date. For a Final Rule, please put the ICR reference number for the ICR reviewed at the proposed rule stage when creating the ICR. For a Proposed Rule, OMB will not consider an ICR complete until the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking has been published. You do not need to attach the rule unless it has not been published (i.e., Federal Register information is blank). If this is the case, check the appropriate stage of rulemaking and upload (electronically attach) the draft rule in the Supplemental Documents (proposed rule or final rule) at the Manage ICR Documents screen. Locate the screen via the ICR Documents item in the drop down of choices of the Current ICR Package at ICR Package at the Home Row of Tabs. For ICRs associated with Interim Final rules that are not significant under EO 12866, please upload a draft of the Federal Register notice as a Supplementary Document in Manage ICR Documents. The note "For a final rule, please put the ICR reference number for the ICR reviewed at the Proposed Rule stage," is for a preapproval process your OIRA desk officer will discuss with you when applicable.

### 15. Federal Register Notices and Comments

Enter the Federal Register Citations and Citation Dates of the 60- and 30-day notices for the ICR. You no longer need to provide a copy of the FR notice. However, if you wish to provide a draft Federal Register notice, for a request for an Emergency ICR, for instance, upload (electronically attach) it in the Supplemental Documents (drop down for draft Federal Register Notice) via the ICR Documents tab of the ICR Package. Unless submitted as an Emergency or Associated with Rulemaking, OMB will not consider an ICR complete without the 30-day notice publication citation.

## **HOW TO Create and Edit an Information Collection**

The first step to creating or editing an IC is to save the ICR Data and click on "Add/Edit Information Collections" hotlink on the Edit ICR screen OR to select IC List from the drop down of choices in the Current ICR Package at the ICR Package Tab at the Home Row of Tabs. Either choice will take you to the Add/Edit Information Collection screen below.

Data from OIRA's legacy data base will be "migrated" to the ROCIS ICR Module. Each ICR will be assigned one IC and will list the form numbers related to the current OMB Control Number. Click on the IC Title of the migrated IC to open the Edit IC screen and proceed to review, correct, modify, and supplement the legacy "migrated" data to form the IC. For instance, you will need to complete the CFR citation(s) and/or will need to upload the form, survey, or other instrument(s) you wish the OIRA desk officer to consider in its review.

When creating new ICR's, you will need to choose the Add IC button on the Add/Edit Information Collections screen below to enter the IC information.

Both Add or Edit choices will take you to the Edit IC screen displayed below.

